

Bernard-Stevens? Did you request to go under call? We'll take that up first. The question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 19 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, to go under call.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The house is under call. Will you please return to your seats and record your presence, please. Those not in the Chamber please return so that we may continue. We're looking for Senator Beyer, Senator Goodrich, Senator Kristensen, Senator Nelson, please. Senator Smith, record your presence, please. We're looking for Senator Beyer, Senator Pirsch and Senator Goodrich. Senator Goodrich is here. Now we are looking for Senator Pirsch. Shall we continue? All right. A roll call vote has been requested in reverse order. So if you'll please return to your seats we'll begin. The question is, shall the Chair be overruled? I am advised that it requires 24 votes. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 1283-84 of the Legislative Journal.) 8 ayes, 34 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to overrule the Chair.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. The call is raised. Now we're back to the Schmit amendment and we have an amendment to the Schmit amendment. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Withem would move to amend Senator Schmit's amendment. (Withem amendment can be found on page 1284 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Withem, please.

SENATOR WITHEM: What this amendment does is it basically puts the bill back in the shape that it came out of committee, with no reference to the property tax fund, no tax raise to fund the property tax. What it does, though, it leaves the other half cent sales tax that is in the Schmit amendment there to fund the teacher salary increase. Personally I don't think it is needed. I don't think the half cent to fund the teacher's salary is needed this year or next year. And I believe I can show, with the funding mechanism that was passed out, that it will cash flow very easily this biennium, very easily next biennium, without the sales tax increase. You get into '91-92, '92-93,