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SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Five hands to cease debate? Thank you. Shall debate now cease? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Lynch, would you care to close on your amendment.

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I guess what we did today was simply force talking about trying to help homeowners to some degree, as much as we talked and were forced to talk about helping big business, and talk about helping farmers, and talk about helping a lot of other folks. I think, for that reason, the purpose was served. And I guess whenever you talk about some kind of a property tax relief bill, unless you share the loot with everybody, even those who don't need it, something probably won't happen. Just so we understand that. There were a number of people that talked to me in my district about property tax relief, but it wasn't the businesses. Believe it or not I have a few farmers, it wasn't the farmers. It was the poor working stiff that's having a hard time meeting his property tax bill, working for a living, gets no subsidy from anybody or any kind of help for being in business at all. And I think it's important for us to try to remember that, at least once in a while. When we talk about giving back \$190 million remember, a lot of people are going to get it that probably don't need it. A lot of people are going to get it that are already being helped, enormously helped in a lot of other ways. So you're really not doing it. Just remember this for a lot of reasons, you're really not doing that much for the poor stiff that owns a house. And that person that owns the house ought to understand it and recognize that. And I think the point was made and I respectfully then withdraw the bill (sic).

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, to the committee amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, sir. I have nothing further to the