

closer. When this cheap power is developed we will not have the problem with radioactive waste that we currently have, tremendously diminished. But currently we are faced with environmental pressures that are much, much more serious than the storage of this low-level waste. I would expect before very many years pass that the low-level waste will no longer be classed as radioactively hazardous. After all, the detergent that you wash your clothes in, in most cases, is more radioactive than the Class A waste. Take a geiger counter and check it in your grocery store, you'll find that to be true. We have in place so many restrictions on nuclear power that it makes it terribly expensive. The low-level portion of the Class A should be taken to a sanitary landfill and disposed of, get rid of that volume and makes the problem shrink into insignificance. We do have a good bill. Perhaps it does need some more attention on Select File, but it should be advanced to Final Reading as quickly as we can, for the protection of our state and our citizens. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hefner, please.

SENATOR HEFNER: Question.

PRESIDENT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, are you going to close on the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I've said about all I think that needs to be said at this time on this bill. I believe that there is general agreement that although the bill may not suit everyone exactly to their own liking that the bill is necessary. Senator Landis has indicated the bill will probably have further debate on Select File. We all know that no bill is ever safe on this floor, even after it leaves the floor, and that it probably shouldn't be. I, for one, am willing to accept any conception, any idea, any amendment which the general members of this body believes will improve the bill and make it more answerable to the needs of the people of the state. I think the bill represents a lot of hard work, as was indicated by all of the members of this Legislature,