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PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President and members, Senator Haberman, would you respond to a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR LAMB: I am not sure that, what you are saying is that in two years because equalization and foundation funding will be sunsetted under LE 611, then it follows that this proposal should also be revisited at that same time, is that correct?

SENATOR HABERMAN: That is what the amendment says, yes, Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Okay, thank you very much. Yes, I think that is a logical argument. I don't see why that should be resisted in this body. I don't see why that should be resisted. You know, I think this whole amendment was drafted in haste. Nobody knows how it is going to work in their district or any other district. It certainly makes sense that we are going to be revisiting the whole school finance structure in two years, so it looks to me like this is a logical extension of that program, and I am amazed at those people who look at it differently. This is certainly state aid to education any way you look at it, and to sunset it at the same time we are going to sunset other forms of state aid to education certainly would be logical, so I support the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Rod Johnson. I don't see him. Senator Lynch, your...

SENATOR LYNCH: Question.

PRESIDENT: The 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.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate has ceased. Senator Haberman, would you please close?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, I would