

your presence. Senator Dierks, would you like to record your presence, please. Senator Dierks. Thank you. Senator Elmer, would you record your presence, please. Senator Hefner, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Nelson, Senator Wesely. Call in votes are authorized and we're voting on ceasing debate.

CLERK: Excuse me, Mr. President, Senator Moore voting yes. Senator Hefner voting yes. Senator Scofield voting yes. Senator Lindsay...

PRESIDENT: A roll call vote has been requested. We're all here so the Clerk will call the roll and the question is, shall debate cease? Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read roll call vote. See pages 1848-49 of the Legislative Journal.) 23 ayes, 14 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate does not cease. The call is raised and we'll go back to, Senator Hall, you're next, followed by Senator Smith.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members, Senator Smith, it's a far cry from the other day when we were told that the floor was no place for personal attacks, but it's another day. The issue here is one of good tax policy. It's not of helping the elderly. Don't say shame on me, shame on the Governor for bringing us this proposal. It does not help the elderly. You clearly pointed out the fallacy of this part of LB 739, clearly, because you said if this is all we can do for the elderly, \$200,000 for 1,200 people, shame on me. Don't shame me, shame the Governor. It's her bill. It was her proposal. It was her tax plan to say that there was four parts that was going to help the various entities out there, not mine. All I tried to do was offer one amendment, the only amendment that I said I was going to offer to the bill because the other portions of the bill could have good pro and con arguments either way. This has no good argument in support other than the political argument of saying we have helped the elderly. You haven't helped the elderly. It's exactly the issue of \$200,000 spread amongst 1,200 people who don't even understand the fact that they got the credit or how they got it. The only way they got it is if they took their return to a tax man or a tax person who understood the issue. It is not something that people even are aware of and let alone able to qualify unless, of course, they