

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hefner moves the previous question. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now cease? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate cease? Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 11 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Lamb, will you close, or Senators Hall, Moore, Chizek?

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. The amendment clearly and simply just has LB 84 be a bill that is in place for one year. It's an appropriate measure, even though I believe that the funding is there, the revenue will be there to fund it as a two-year program, it will clearly have to be a decision that we make as a body. What I have heard today, except for a few exceptions, was that property tax relief is a priority, it's something that we need to address now, and that we need to address it through LB 84 as it's currently drafted. The amendment that is offered is a very prudent thing to do with regard to revenue forecast, revenue that is projected to alleviate any question with regard to whether or not a tax increase is necessary. It allows for us to give direct property tax relief to the homeowners, to agribusiness, to business both commercial and industrial. I think it's a very good proposal. The amendment clearly spells out the fact that we've got the money to do it today, we'll address the issue again next year. I think that it is a very good proposal in that effect. I hope that, yes, next year we come back and we do take the sunset off and make it a two-year program, as it was originally proposed. But for today we do it on a pay-as-we-go basis, that is what the amendment does. I would urge the adoption of the amendment to LB 84.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the Lamb, Moore, Chizek, Hall amendment to LB 84. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. A record vote has been requested. Have you all voted? Senator Johnson has requested a record vote. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 1910-11 of the Legislative Journal.) 28 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Lamb, Chizek, Hall and Moore amendment.