

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the return of the bill to Select File for purposes of amending. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please vote, if you'd care to vote. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. Speaker, since we're two votes shy, I'd ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote. Check in.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Members, please record your presence. Please look up at the board and record your presence. Senators Peterson, Goodrich and Schmit, please report to the Chamber. Senator Moore, only one missing. Senator Goodrich. Thank you. We'll proceed to the roll call on the motion to return the bill. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 2544 of the Legislative Journal.) 25 ayes, 20 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion is adopted. We are to the amendment, debatable, of course. Senator Withem, followed by Senators Bernard-Stevens and Korshoj. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes. Is it appropriate for me to start, or should Senator Moore get the opportunity to...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Excuse me, sir...Go ahead, Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Okay. Yeah, I just...one more time the bill has been returned to Select File now at this particular point. If it is advanced back without this amendment, it does not lose its place on Final Reading. I just don't see a lot of good reasons for sunseting the bill, not been convinced. If Senator Moore thinks that I was being misleading by misleading the body into stating that he was misleading, I apologize for that, but I think he's misleading in stating that I was misleading and saying that he's misleading. So, now that that is clarified, again, I don't see a lot of reason for sunseting this bill. We are late in the session, the bill, I think, is in as good a shape as it's going to be in. There are things we need to continue to do, to work on. This is not the end of what we need to do to improve the quality of teaching in our state. It makes a small dent in it. It makes a significant dent, I believe, but not...it does not solve the problems. We, hopefully, will be