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issue and please help these people to put this behind them and put to rest this issue for the State of Nebraska.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Moore, please. Would you like to speak to the suspension rule? Senator Landis, would you care to speak again? The question is called on the motion to suspend. Are there five hands? There certainly are. All in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Landis, would you care to close on the motion to suspend the rules?

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, I do not happen to like people who start their closings by having calls of the house. I don't like the notion of using the rules to enforce an audience that one can't compel by the power of one's own words and thoughts but, in this case, I look around the room and find a number of people gone. I am going to ask for a call of the house as part of my closing.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is, shall the house go under call? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 22 ayes, 0 nays to go under call.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please record your presence. Those outside the Chamber, please return. Senator Ashford, please. Senator Schmit and Senator Pirsch. Senators Hefner, Rod Johnson, Withem, the house is under call. Senator Langford, please, the house is under call. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: (Mike not activated immediately.) ...concluding my closing at this point while others are coming in...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Fine.

SENATOR LANDIS: Close off the call of the house, and then proceed to the vote, if that's acceptable to the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Please proceed.

SENATOR LANDIS: I've done what, for me, is an exceptional