

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Shall the house go under call? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 15 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please record your presence. Those outside the Chamber, please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Senator Lamb, please check in. Senator Korshoj. Senator Abboud, the house is under call. Senator Goodrich, please. Senator Beck, Senator Korshoj. Thank you, Senator Hall. Members, please return to your seats for a roll call vote. The question is, shall the Chair be overruled? Mr. Clerk, will you please call the roll.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 1027 of the Legislative Journal.) 7 ayes, 20 nays, Mr. President, on overruling the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion failed, the Chair is sustained and the call is raised. On the Hefner amendment, Mr. Clerk, have you an amendment on the desk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Coordsen would move to amend Senator Hefner's amendment. Senator, I have the... (Coordsen amendment is on pages 1028-31 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I think the Pages should be distributing a copy of this. I held up on it a little bit pending the outcome of the germaneness vote. The Hefner amendment provides for a disqualification in the gross misconduct section of unemployment for two things, should the employer fire somebody. One is the possession of a controlled substance on the job; and the other is to fail to pass the drug test as provided in 48-1903. During the debate on this issue, in Business and Labor Committee, Senator Chambers raised a question that bothered me, and that was what were we doing to help those people who were taking drugs, possessing them on the job, distributing them, were impaired in some way and lost their job because of it. As I recall Senator Chambers comments they were generally directed into what were we doing to help. And this stuck in my mind. And this noon, when thinking about this particular issue, I thought that Senator Chambers was not wrong, that we needed to do more than simply disqualify someone forever from unemployment if they were a substance