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LB 642, 769, 1241

CLERK: 9 ayes, 18 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adjourn.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. Senator Labeledz, did you have a motion...an amendment on the bill?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Back to my amendment.

PRESIDENT: Yes.

SENATOR LABEDZ: LB 1241 is back on Select File, right?

PRESIDENT: That is correct.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Okay, I do have...I won't go into anymore of Senator Bernard-Stevens' programs. I think I've read you the most important parts of the...of his statements on radio and both at a meeting, also. I think I finished that other one. There is something I would like to read, what Senator Schimek said on LB 642 because I think it puts in better form than I could ever do of what I was trying to say about the rights. Senator Schimek said on LB 642, I believe there are many situations where there are domestic...where there is domestic violence or where there are unhappy teenagers, or whatever, where guns are available, where other means are available, but I can't help but think that if we had some kind of a waiting period that it would, at least in some cases, take away that impulsive action which might lead, as in the case of Senator Don Wesely's friend, which might lead to saving a life. So I guess I show very strongly this could not hurt. We have had many waiting periods imposed by society, by our families, by ourselves. When we want to drive a car, we can't drive a car until we are 16. We can't...we have to wait until we are 16. When we want to get married, we can't go out and just get married. We have a waiting period because we have a blood test that before we can get married. Senator Schimek also went on to say, when we want to get a divorce, no matter how much we want to get that divorce, we cannot do so until we have gone the six-month period necessary for all the court decisions and so forth to take place. I guess what I am trying to convey to you is that we do have a lot of waiting periods in our life. What we are trying to do on LB 769, as I mentioned before, that it is modeled after a Minnesota parental involvement law which was found to be constitutional by the 8th Circuit Federal Court of Appeals, and as you know, the 8th Circuit jurisdiction also