

while it looks good when I read it over, I have some reservations about doing it on the last day when it has not, maybe, had a lot of scrutiny to see what the defects in it may be. Other than that, I think the proposal in general is sound, that we do need a coordinating commission with real power, but that we do not need to change the boards that govern those institutions, and I particularly like the fact that the tech colleges would also be involved here because there certainly is a problem in all postsecondary education including the tech colleges as in regard to coordination.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hall, please, followed...

SENATOR HALL: Question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do, and the question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Would the members return to their desks, please, we are on Final Reading, and we might get back into business here. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, on closing, but for those members not in the Chamber, please return to the Chamber. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, the issue before us at the moment is the suspension of the rule, and I can appreciate...in order to amend the Constitution, the proposed constitutional amendment today...and I can certainly appreciate that there are those who were not aware of it. As I was looking at the sheet, the court case, it was 1903. I have to admit I do not remember that. Another case was 1889, and I even remember that less than I do 1903. But the Attorney General's Opinion that is referred to, '65-66, that I do recall, and there isn't any question about the ability to do what we are proposing to do here, and it isn't totally new. You will recall that Senator Conway offered an amendment to include the community colleges last, whenever the opportunity was there to do it, my days are running together like everybody else's. And there was concern that many of us agreed that we were supportive of what he was proposing to do but we were somewhat concerned that we had it drafted correctly, in part, of course, to avoid the kind of a problem that Senator Hefner brought up with the ag