

folks. Host state's rights, no matter who the host state is, that is what we want. We are willing...we are not living in a glass house. We are willing to live under the same provisions as we are asking them to live under. Lock up the liability concerns, we would only expect that if someone else was the host state, and the concerns of the other issues brought up today are separate issues. It is strictly the people that are bearing the burden should have the ability to control their future and protect their citizens, and that is what LB 837 is. I would ask your adoption. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Now we will go to Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: I call the question.

SPEAKER BAACK: The question has been called. I do see five hands. We will now proceed to vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on ceasing debate, have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Mr. Speaker, I guess maybe we need a...I think we need a call of the house and we'd take call in votes please.

SPEAKER BAACK: We have a request for a call of the house. All those in favor of the house going under call...Senator Dierks withdraws his motion. We will now record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate has ceased. We will go to Senator Beutler to close.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I would urge you to advance LB 837. It is time we push this little skiff out onto the wide, wide ocean. The amendment that has been attached to it, I assure you, has no effect, will have no effect, on the view that the other states take toward our suggestions. If they do not like our suggestions, it will be for other reasons. So having said that, I want to also assure you once more that with regard to the nonvoting member that they will not be a part, an active part, of the compact until such time as the other states have ratified the amendments and Congress has approved. Should the commission out of their own