

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: ...vote now to tell the citizens that you trust them and you're willing to go through this process openly and honestly, end the deception right here, right now, and make a statement that could be good for the state in many other issues, that we're ready to do it and we're ready to do it right. Folks, please support Senator Dierks' effort.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Before we proceed with the next speaker, I would like to direct the senators' attention to the south balcony. Special guests of Senator Peterson today are 64 fifth graders from Sacred Heart in Norfolk and their teachers. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the Chambers this morning. Thank you. Senator Hartnett, followed by Senator Johnson.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Madam Chairman, I will call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay, the question has been called. Are there sufficient seconds? Okay, we will proceed to vote on the motion to call the question. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the motion to call the question? Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We will cease debate. Senator Dierks, would you like to close on the bill?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes, Madam President, and members of the body, it is time, I think, for the vote to take place. I would just like to start out with a little quote from President Eisenhower. He said that a people that values its privileges above its principles soon loses both. I think we have an opportunity here to vote with our principle today. We have tried to talk about technical reasons for site characterization and for acceptance. We have raised the questions about springs on Ponca Creek. We have raised the questions about wetlands. We raised the questions about the aquifer. We have raised questions about the safety of the facility. And I don't know of a safely constructed facility today. Those sites always considered safe have all been found to be not safe. So, again, I ask you to consider the principles here. We raised the question about