

CLERK: 25 ayes, 7 nays to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Debate has ceased. Senator Hall, would you please close.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Chambers, there are those of us who don't need to wear gloves when we go out and do dirty work. We don't mind getting a little...few calluses on our hands, a little dirt under our fingernails and then there are those like you. But (laughter), and Senator Chambers, since I don't have your vote anyway, Oliver Wendell Holmes said one time that all life is an experiment. Your experiment would have been left in the petri dish. But anyway, the issue here before us, ladies and gentlemen, is the discussion of an amendment that changes the funding formula of LB 829. That's all the amendment deals with. It addresses the issue of the depreciation surcharge, 1.75 percent. It also puts in place the increase in the superbracket, if you will, in the corporate income tax and raises it to about 8.99 percent. That will raise \$10 million. The surcharge raises 42 million. And then we raise another \$42 million with the amendment that was just adopted an hour ago that deals with the specific sales tax on five various services. The services are legal services, the architectural, engineering, the sales tax as it relates to printing, and the fifth one is, I forget, but it's there. Anyway that adds up to 42 and the total package will raise approximately 94, \$95 million to fund the shortfall, the personal property tax hole. Ladies and gentlemen, I would urge adoption of the amendment and then I don't have any problem in advancing the bill over and letting it sit there. I will even put up a unanimous consent motion to bracket the bill once it's been advanced till next Tuesday. And we don't even have to do anything but just vote yes unless there is some objection. Maybe by then everybody will come up with a new, different idea that's more palatable. But, Senator Chambers, if this were a 120-day session, we would be looking at about the 107, excuse me, 113th and we would still be in the same position because just like when you were a kid and you had to eat those Brussels sprouts, you cleaned everything else off your plate till you got to the most distasteful thing, and if you couldn't hide it away in the napkin and stuff it in your pocket and go to the back of the yard and throw it down the alley, like I used to, you just sat there and you sat there until your mom and dad would either give in and say, go to your room, go to bed, that's it, you're