

others don't, like property owners and homeowners. But, in any case, I'm not sure how we get the truth and the facts out unlike we did on Amendment 1 last November explaining the consequence of their vote. So, at this point in time, I didn't pass the last time, I will be passing again or voting no but I think the best route for the state is for the crisis to set in and to force us to come back and do something that's meaningful, that's fair, that's decent, that's legal, rather than just maintaining the...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...status quo because it's convenient.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lynch. Mr. Clerk, you have a motion on the desk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Hall would move to suspend Rule 4, Section 2, so as to permit consideration and final vote on LR 186CA today.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, and members, would the Clerk announce how many members are excused?

CLERK: I have eight members excused, Senator.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you. So we would have 41 to vote on this. Correct?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HALL: The rule suspension is 30.

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HALL: And then because this is a special election, there would be the luxury of one vote.

CLERK: It would require 40 votes to pass.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you. Mr. President and members, maybe it's time just to deal with the issue. I don't have any problem with it. I happen to support Senator Lindsay's amendment. I have