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constituents.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We do have sufficient seconds. All those in favor of ceasing debate please vote aye, opposed nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have ceased debate. Recognize Senator Hall for closing.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members, I rise in support of the motion to reconsider. I'm going to vote to reconsider the proposal. The issue clearly has two sides to it, two camps that basically have no commonality at present except that we do recognize there is a problem. This is not the solution in LR 186 in my mind. The Governor believes it is. I believe the Governor deserves the opportunity and many of the members believe that as well, that this is a proposal that the citizens of the state should vote on. That should take place. But think long and hard about it, ladies and gentlemen, from the time we reconsider to the time we vote on LR 186. It is not in the best interest of the taxpayers of this state to perpetuate a system that is unfair and it is far, I think, greater a disservice to them to go about this in the short order that we have done it without knowing what the full ramifications are of possible decisions down the road, and yet to leave to them a decision on a tax system for this state that we ourselves can't come to grips with. We haven't, as policy makers, been able to deal with this issue, and yet we're going to present to the voters the opportunity to make a decision that we have to date not done ourselves. I would urge you to vote for the reconsideration motion no matter how you feel about the resolution.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hall. We will now vote on the motion to reconsider. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the motion to reconsider the Final Reading vote.