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LB 1063

I am not a cosigner of 1063. I have not been a sponsor of the 3-R process. I voted against the constitutional amendment in the last general session that we had. One of the problems that I finally came to a consensus within myself was where was the body, what were the options that we had? It was very clear at some point that 1120 was, did not have the, was not going to have the power or the muscle to advance, it was very clear that as for me the option of having everything on the tax rolls was not acceptable, not acceptable to agriculture, not acceptable to business, and not acceptable to Nebraskans for the most part, that the only vehicle we had was LB 1063, to try to find a common ground, if there could be one found for 40 votes for a CA, and that is the basis of which I and others have moved. And that is why, at this point, we need to move, in the days that we have remaining, LB 1063 because we still have to go through the process of engrossment, we have to go through the process of Select File, Final Reading, and we have the CA, and time is running out. We need to move LB 1063 today. I rise in opposition to the Hall indefinitely postpone motion. I yield whatever time I have to Senator Warner, if he so desires.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: How much time is left?

PRESIDENT MOUL: A minute and a half.

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you, Madam President. I'd just use the time to respond to Senator Hall's question, whether or not we have to come back into session. Senator Hall, would also acknowledge that the provision in the constitutional amendment is intended as drafted, to ratify the passage of implementing legislation. And if you accept that as being a constitutional basis, then we do not need to come back. As Senator Hall...

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SENATOR WARNER: ...as a policy concept long-run, but in this instance, in this instance I believe that the approach that's provided for in the constitutional amendment should be done, because I know it's essential that the public has an opportunity to know how that constitutional amendment will be implemented and the passage of implemented legislation, in this case, I think is important and must be done before we place the issue to the voters.