

commission that was impaneled by the Governor, the bipartisan commission that brought forth what was Senator Baack's existing bill and my amendment. And it really is a significant advancement for our state. So I hope those senators who supported the amendment will please support the bill, because we've really done something significant here, in my opinion. And we shouldn't now find reasons to vote against it because we don't like one or the other parts of it. I think that at least at this stage in the debate let's get, if there are some specific questions on campaign financing, let's look at them. I would just say that the numbers or the million dollars I know that's been talked about, but those figures were based on a time when we did not have limitations on spending. So it's kind of hard to draw an analogy between what public funds would be needed under that scenario. It's a very cleverly crafted bill that Senator Baack has brought us. It is a good bill, I just disagree wholeheartedly with Senator Chambers. I think it's going to make a difference on the expenditure side, and I think it's going to make a significant difference on the contribution side. And we have something here to be proud of in our state now, and let's not drop it because we don't like one little part of it or one or the other. So, again, I commend Senator Baack who really has done something that I wished we could have done for the six years that I've been here, and that's do something incredibly good in the area of campaign finance reform. And he's made a significant contribution. And the fact that the bill is not exactly as it was brought out of committee, so be it. But it was, again, the proposal that a bipartisan commission endorsed. And that's about as good as we can get, it seems to me, in our state. So, Senator Pirsch, I sure respect your opinions, and I just hope you think a little bit more about it before you vote and maybe vote yes and advance the bill so that we can really have campaign finance reform in our state. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Ashford. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Do I see sufficient seconds? I do. We'll now vote on the motion to cease debate. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted on the motion to cease debate? Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the motion to cease debate? Please record, Mr. Clerk.