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LB 1019A, 1019

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...that they call me and accuse me of it indicates one of two things. Either someone is jerking their trip rope or they don't know what they are talking about. Let the phone ring. LT&T stock will continue to escalate. That is a very laudable goal also. Somebody has got to make some bucks, but the facts are that unless we do something and do it now, we are encouraging, we are encouraging additional construction by our lack of willingness to bite the bullet. I have heard there is between 200 and 300 million dollars worth of hospital construction, medical facilities construction on the drawing boards right now. By next year, some of that will have been transferred into brick and mortar and steel. We think we are going to pass a bill, 1019, to do some good. The health care committee and Senator Wesely have spent hours on it. I commend them for it, but why worry about the sliver under the fingernail, as Senator Chambers, says,...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...and ignore the cancer. It is the cancer which is destroying us. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Wesely. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. We will now vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate has ceased. Senator Wesely, do you wish to close on the motion to advance? Closing is waived. We will now vote on the advancement. All those in favor say aye. A machine vote has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. And a record vote. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See pages 2140-41 of the Legislative Journal.) 32 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1019.

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 1019 advances. Before we do recess for lunch, we have a number of bills that are on Select File that are clean, no amendments on them. We will handle those bills right now. Oh, we do need to handle LB 1019A first.

CLERK: Senator Will, I have no amendments to 1019A, Senator.