

the ballot box. But when you control economic power, you control elections. And there are people who are more fearful of offending Mike Harper than they are concerned about the homeowner, as we have been told. If I am mischaracterizing the issue, they will have the opportunity, after the vote is taken and they decide to help put a heavier burden on the homeowners in order to help Mike Harper and ConAgra and the other corporations that are in Omaha and Douglas County and will get those benefits. I didn't offer the motion for a frivolous reason. I think the amendment that was adopted is bad, it's inequitable and it's contrary to the stated purpose of the special session. So what I'm going to do, just like they're going to do on judgment day when the roll is called up yonder, we may as well get a little practice here this morning, so, Madam President, I'm going to ask for a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You have heard the closing. We'll proceed with roll call vote on the motion to return to Select File.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See page 133 of the Legislative Journal.) 27 ayes, 18 nays, Madam President, on the motion to return the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The motion to return is approved. While the Legislature is in session and capable of conducting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 2. We are now on Select File. I recognize Senator Chambers for his amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, since I have had an opportunity to express my opinions, I will reserve any comments for a close. But what I'm asking now is that we adopt the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. I recognize Senator Schmit, followed by Senators Hall, Rod Johnson, Coordsen, Abboud, Ashford, Wesely, Warner and Moore. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Madam Chairman and members, I just want to say that the remarks offered by Senator Warner echo my feelings completely. There have been many efforts made on this floor over the past years to try to achieve some kind of equity in the tax structure. There are all sorts of ideas as to how we should achieve that equity. But one of the lessons we ought to have