

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? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have ceased debate. I will recognize Senator Lamb for closing.

SENATOR LAMB: Thank you, Madam Chair, members of the Legislature. I guess one observation I might make is that I have not seen a lot of lobbying in regard to LR 1 in either direction. Another observation I might make is that I didn't see that adopting the 30-vote rule, the other day, increased the chances of LR 1 passing. I think we gained, somebody told me we gained 3 and lost 5, or something like that. So I don't see this going back to the...taking the 30-vote rule off is jeopardizing the chances of LR 1, I just don't see it that way. Maybe I'm missing something, but there was not an overwhelming vote for LR 1 after the 30-vote rule had been adopted. So I can't see that it's affecting the total situation. Senator Chambers, did you have any comments?

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Moore had made a comment earlier about the adoption of this amendment signaling the end to the affair. Senator Moore, this constitutional amendment has not had 40 votes from last session throughout this special session, so about all that any of us can do is take positions that we think are right and proper for the purpose of the record. This LR is not going to pass, no matter what, unless it included a promise by me to resign, perhaps, which I'm not going to give. But short of that, there's nothing that will make it pass. So, since we are in a position to cast a vote on the issue while it's alive and before us, I think we ought to show, by our votes, the types of things we think should be in the Constitution, the types of things we think should not be. I don't think we're bound to vote for a proposition that is not valid simply because a group of senators got together, forged it, and call it a compromise. I call it, as I did the other day, because of my position on this matter, a total capitulation or sellout. It simply makes it more difficult to remove an