

amendment. But the only thing that the Withem amendment does is just puts it into Madison County. I think that is what he is trying to do, but at the present time, I don't know whether that is the best way to go, because I think if you are going to do that, we need to get back and look at the area also, so that we get back to the original LB 7 if we are not going to stick with the actual committee amendments that we have already passed on General. But if you want to just...just give Madison County their vote and that is all this year, this will...amendment will do that. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Abboud, on the amendment. 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: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate has ceased. I will go to Senator Withem, to close on your amendment to the amendment.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, my closing will be brief, hopefully, just to indicate what the amendment does; one more time refer to the handout Senator Hefner gave you, everything will stay...if this amendment is adopted, everything will stay the same as it is explained in Senator Hefner's amendment with one exception, and that exception will be District 19 will be Madison County. That will have the impact of having the people in Madison County having an opportunity to elect a senator this year. And District 18, then, will become the district as it is mapped out here with Dixon County, Cedar County, Stanton County, a portion of Knox, and a portion of Wayne. Would ask you to adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: You have heard the closing on the Withem amendment to the Hefner amendment. We will now vote on that amendment to the amendment. I will remind my colleagues it takes 25 votes. We are on Select File. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the Withem amendment to the Hefner amendment. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: I'd ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote.