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elected at the various townships. So I want to make that clear before we get into any further discussion. And, with that, thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I just want to stand in support of LB 179. I thought we had a good hearing and I think it's like Senator Vrtiska stated that it gives the counties an option of having the blanket bond and saving some money. And if you're not for that, I would like to know why. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Any further discussion? I see none. Senator Vrtiska, would you like to close? Closing is waived. The question is, shall LB 179 be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 179 is advanced. LB 234.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 234 was introduced by Senator Lindsay. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 9th of this year, referred to the Judiciary Committee. That committee reported the bill to General File. The bill was considered previously on January 24th and at that time it failed to advance to E & R initial.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Okay, just to indicate to the body this is kind of a unique situation here. It happens three or four times during a session, maybe. Where a bill fails to advance on General File, the rules call for that bill being placed at the bottom of General File and it works its way then back up to the top. That's what's happened with this bill. The rules aren't all that clear on how we debate the second time. The specific question that came to my mind was, do we have another opening on the bill? Senator Lindsay, I think you have opened on the bill already. What I'm going to do is call upon you for maybe two or three minutes to refresh the body as to what the bill does, if you would like to do so, and then we will proceed with the debate.