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SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Just a point of order, if I may, or personal privilege. Is Senator Matzke in the Chamber at this point. I am just wondering how Senator Matzke's vote is on there if he is not in the Chamber.

SPEAKER WITHEM: We will investigate.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I appreciate that, and here is Senator Matzke now, so, Senator Matzke, if you wish to continue to vote green, well, you weren't here, that would be fine, but I do caution the members that that is...we need to be very, very careful about those types of things.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Engel, could you please check in. Senator Pedersen, we are all here, how do you want us to proceed?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Call-in votes. I am sorry. I should have said that earlier.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question is, shall debate now cease? Senator Pedersen has authorized call-in votes.

CLERK: Senator Wickersham voting yes. Senator Lynch voting yes. Senator Schmitt voting yes. Senator Jones voting yes. Senator Bromm voting yes. Senator Schimek...(interruption).

SPEAKER WITHEM: Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 7 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is ceased. Senator Schimek, you are authorized to...you are recognized to close on your motion to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you. Mr. President, members of the body, as I said in the beginning, I intend to withdraw this motion. I wanted the debate on the bill. I think it is an important bill. I think that we need the debate. I am not going to stand up here and lose votes by prolonging the debate at this point. I think that a good discussion has ensued. I think that some of the points that I wanted to make I got to make, and I would simply urge you to vote against advancement of the bill. Thank you.