

Hudkins, Senator Jones. Senator Avery, would you please check in. Senator Pirsch, excuse me, Senator Pirsch is here. Senator Hudkins. Senator Hudkins, Senator Wickersham, the house is under call. Senator Hall, Senator Wickersham is on his way, would you care to proceed with the roll call? The question is the adoption of the Hall amendment. Mr. Clerk, would you call the roll.

CLERK: (Read roll call vote. See pages 855-56 of the Legislative Journal.) 1 aye, 32 nays on the amendment.

SENATOR LINDSAY: The amendment fails. Further items on the bill, Mr. Clerk. The call is raised.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend. (Chambers amendment, FA62, appears on page 856 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR LINDSAY: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'll ask the Clerk to read the amendment because I don't have my copy and it's really simple in what it does but I want you to have the actual wording of the amendment.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend on page 2, line 26 add the following language: "In no case shall such charges be less than the cost of supplying such services."

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, the purpose of this amendment is very simple and straightforward. While negotiating with a power company to get these reduced rates, in no case could the power company agree to provide these services for less than the cost of supplying them. I think this is reasonable and I think it ought to be added to the bill. It doesn't require a lot of explanation, but if you have any questions I'm prepared to answer them and I wish some of my rural colleagues who have now been whipped into line would stay around here long enough to listen to some of the other things that are going on. I have been told why some of you all were carrying on the way you were on 830 and I didn't want to believe that, but where are you now? I only see...well I won't whistle, be like Santa Claus, whistle and shout and call them by name,