

to close on your motion to return.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: I would waive closing.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question is, shall LB 179 be returned to Select File for a specific amendment? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The bill is returned. Senator Maurstad, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Mr. Speaker, I would merely use this time, first of all, to thank Senator Vrtiska for supporting to return this to Select File. And, secondly, as people will recall, I had some concerns relative to this on General File and it is an area where I think we need to take a look at this whole section of our current statute. I believe there are certain county officials that we require a bond of, some in the amounts of a thousand dollars, some in the amounts of \$2,500, some in the amounts of \$5,000, and I think we need to review whether or not those bonds are still needed and necessary. It appears that possibly this statute itself, this section, could use some cleanup, and I visited with other members of the body and maybe that's something that we can do over the course of the interim to bring back to the body next year. With that, I would just urge the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Senator Vrtiska, on the motion to adopt the amendment.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, again, I certainly agree with Senator Maurstad's idea and I think that this whole section probably should be reviewed and make some of the changes he has suggested and I'm willing to work with him on that or anybody else on that issue because I think it's important to get this whole issue up to where it ought to be, because, obviously, this has been this way for a hundred years and sometimes things need to be brought up to date. So, with that, I ask for the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Maurstad, there are no further lights. Do you have a closing? Closing is