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LB 548, 658A

the Wesely amendment? Seeing one, Senator Wesely, closing? Closing is waived. The question is the advancement of...the adoption of the Wesely amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wesely's amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is adopted. Senator Wesely. Actually, what should have...you should have had the opportunity to open on the bill prior to the amendment, I am sorry. Do you have comments on the bill?

SENATOR WESELY: The bill now as amended will save in Fiscal Year 1996, 1.3 million, and 1997, 1.2 million or not 1.2, 1,033,000, and the year 1977, 1,022,000, so it is slightly over a million dollars a year saved by the bill. I'd ask for advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Wesely waives closing. The question is the advancement of LB 658A. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 658A.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 658A is advanced. LB 548. Senator Beutler, would you bring us up to date on, very briefly, what this bill involves?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Withem, members of the Legislature, this is the income tax on campaign...candidate campaign committees for the purpose of financing the Campaign Finance Reform Act, and I believe we were on Senator Bernard-Stevens' proposed amendment, which would effectively gut the entire Campaign Finance Reform Act, and eliminate all other provisions of the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Mr. Clerk, can you bring us up-to-date on what's pending on this bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Bernard-Stevens had offered amendment #1202, AM1202. It is found on page 1282 of the Legislative Journal.