

sully this great experiment that was to be undertaken. So they changed property to the pursuit of happiness. Property rights were not elevated above everything else as the Legislature is attempting to do now. So if this bill survives the kill motion, I do have some amendments already filed which I intend to push and fight vigorously for. And one way to cut down the amount of debate that occurs, since those who consider property rights so important will already have what they want, give me what I want to adopt my amendments and there won't be a lot of debate and there won't be a lot of time consumed in the debates.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time, speaking of time. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Question.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate now cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is ceased. Senator Bernard-Stevens, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Members of the...Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I've talked to Senator Jones, and I know he's still thinking about it. But one of the things that I'd be willing to do is listening to Senator Jones, one of the things he stated quite often, not only in committee but also on the floor is that we're trying to get the intent, we want people to know what our intent is. And what I would be willing to do certainly is to cosign with him tomorrow and whatever the case may be to introduce then a resolution to the Legislature which would in fact put the intent of the body and send it to the members of Congress and the state agencies and the governors and so on to put forward our intent. That's not as bad as putting, you know, it's our sense that we'd like to do this and bring people's awareness to it, but to put something in statute that really doesn't do anything, which we all know it really doesn't do, to me is something that we should not do. And I know we have a lot of amendments that will be filed. And I know that we may even have a reconsideration of this motion, certainly on...not my...wouldn't be my preference to do so, but hopefully the motion will be agreed to. But, Senator Jones, I will be