

Senator Elmer, Senator Fisher, Senator Schellpeper, Senator Schrock, Senator Stuhr and Senator Robak. Senator Warner. The question before you is, shall debate cease? We are accepting call-in votes.

CLERK: Senator Schimek voting yes. Senator Cudaback voting yes. Senator Matzke voting yes. Senator Lynch voting yes. Senator Schellpeper voting yes.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The question before you is, shall debate cease? We are accepting call-in votes.

CLERK: Senator Hartnett voting yes. Senator Lindsay voting yes. Senator Bromm voting yes. Senator Dierks voting yes. Senator Pedersen voting yes.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Debate ceases. I recognize Senator Witek to close.

SENATOR WITEK: I appreciate the discussion of this amendment and especially Senator Bromm's willingness to clarify on the survey exactly what the intent of the Legislature is should this language be accepted that we don't want to change what's already being done, that it's not necessary to, as in the language of the bill, to survey...a survey of the child care providers in the state. We don't have to get to every child care provider in the state in order to accomplish what we...what individuals want to accomplish on this. And I guess my amendment, striking this language, is just saying leave it the way it is, leave it in the hands of appropriations. As Senator Bromm said, really right now the appropriations sets the rate because we only appropriate so much money into these areas and it has to be divided into these...this list that I received from Senator Bohlke, into these areas. And her suggestions are that there might be some other areas that we could adjust and this really, and this is from myself, this really is not necessary language and does not need to be in this amendment. And finally, I'd say to Senator Crosby and I guess my point was not everybody in the expansion would have children who are old enough or who are young enough for child care expenses. And that's the people that we're expanding here, because some people might have older children