

against the committee amendment and when we get to the bill, I have some disagreements with some part of the bill, but I think I can support a lot of that, but I absolutely cannot support the provisions, several of the provisions that I tried to amend and was unsuccessful in amending them. Because I was unsuccessful in taking these areas out of the bill, I will not be supporting the committee amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Is this closing?

SPEAKER WITHEM: There are two lights on, Senator Wesely. Senator Lynch's and Senator Abboud's.

SENATOR WESELY: Then I'll wait to close.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: I call the question.

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

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is closed. Senator Wesely, to close.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. I apologize because we've kind of moved quickly here toward the end, but the thought was it would be nice if Senator Bohlke could actually open on her bill and we thought, until we get the committee amendments adopted, that we won't ever give her that opportunity. There are lots of additional amendments that will be forthcoming. They don't necessarily relate to the committee amendments. First off, I understand Senator Witek had concerns with the amendments, but she...Kate, you're mischaracterizing the amendments. They are not an expansion. There is some...the standard of need, that is the one area, other than that, this is not. The committee amendments clarify and direct toward problems. They do not end up with a large fiscal impact. The one figure you used has already been identified as tremendously out of touch with reality and that has already been revised downward and will be further, so the fiscal impact on these committee amendments are