

hands? I see five hands. The question before you is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Debate ceases. The Chair recognizes Senator Janssen to close on the amendment.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I appreciate everyone's debate that's been on this subject. I believe you probably have all got your mind made up by now which way you're going to vote. Hopefully, with some of the discussion we've had, those who were opposed to it are leaning the other way or changed their mind in the affirmative. I liked Senator Chambers' dialogue about how the families who are on food stamps should learn how to buy food in large quantities. And I see that happen every day in our stores. That person who is...who really desires to get ahead and feed their family in the best nutritional way will buy those large bags of macaroni, the family packs of ground beef, the family packs of pork chops, the large canisters of hot cocoa mix. They're trying, most of them are trying. They're trying to better themselves, they're trying to feed their families. Let's not change that, let's not give them the opportunity to get away from using the payments that we are giving them to become better citizens, hopefully to become better citizens, productive citizens with jobs, jobs, jobs, as Senator Chambers said. That's the way to start, the jobs are very important. I think there are jobs out there, we need to train some of the people, but we're getting away from that. And I hope that you will support, I hope you will support what is the right thing to do and that is to eliminate the cash-out of food stamps. I would like to give Senator Bohlke the remainder of my closing time.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bohlke, you have two and a half minutes.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Senator Janssen. As I said when I first...we first starting discussing this waiver that I gave you the three different aspects of cashing out, remaining on the food stamps and eventually the debit card. I told you that at some point in time I think we should move to the debit card, but I was anxious to hear the discussion and the debate and your opinions, and I think we've had a good debate. And I think that