

SPEAKER WITHEM: Debate is ceased. Senator Robinson, to close.

SENATOR ROBINSON: While I'm closing, I would like to have a...ask for a call of the house.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question is, shall the house go under call? All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 0 nays to go under call.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The house is under call. Members, please return and check in. Senator Robinson will close as people are returning, as I understand it.

SENATOR ROBINSON: That's right. I think we've had a very good debate. I think good questions have been raised by Senator Warner, Senator Jensen, Senator Beutler, and Senator Avery. And any concerns that you may have, we will be more than willing to take a look at those concerns between now and Select File. And I think, as Senator Coordsen said, this is a bill that's time has come. And, with those remarks, I would like to give the remainder of my time to Senator Lynch.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lynch, you have about four minutes.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Speaker and members, thank you, Senator Robinson. I want to thank all the members of the committee that obviously worked hard to try to put this proposal together, along with the staff. I also want to point out that what this simply does is centralize the facility management within the Building Division and within DAS but not with some of the folks within DAS that some of you may have some problems with. Eventually, the Building Division will manage the state facilities except grounds and buildings which result in loss of federal funds, if not managed by that original agency, and grounds and buildings which would place a hardship on agencies due to exceptional and unusual circumstances. I mentioned a couple of those earlier. The Building Division will charge rent to all agencies managed by the division and the rent is to cover certain things. For example, the operating maintenance, renovation and repair costs and this portion placed in the State Building Revolving Fund. It will also...building renewal projects under the Deferred Building Renewal Act will be funded and this portion will be placed in the Building Renewal