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SENATOR CROSBY: You've heard the motion. You asked for a machine vote, I understand. You've heard the motion to recess until one-thirty. A machine vote has been requested. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on whether to recess until one-thirty, have you all voted? Record please.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 19 nays to recess.

SENATOR CROSBY: The motion failed. We will continue the debate on the Withem amendment. Senator Bohlke. Senator Bohlke has called the question. All in favor...do I see five hands? I do. All in favor vote aye, opposed no to cease debate. Record please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SENATOR CROSBY: Debate does cease. Senator Withem, to close on your amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, I thank the body very much. I will try not to carry on too long with my closing, just a brief...reiterate what the amendment does. It indicates that...it is not an anti-judges pay raise amendment. It would leave the language in that raises the judges pay, provided the statute section that I waved around to you a few minutes ago, Section 24-201.01 is amended by the Legislature this session. If this statute is not amended, then the appropriation would be enough to fund the current level of salaries. That is simply all this amendment does. Senator Bromm indicated that there was a lot of convoluted discussion and that may be. We have a lot of that in here from time to time. That is all that this amendment does. It will allow us then this afternoon, and he is right, the two issues were put on the ballot...on the agenda on the same day so that we could resolve the issue, once and for all, hopefully. That's what this amendment does. That's all it does. I would urge you to adopt it.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Withem. You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the Withem amendment to the committee amendments to LB 394. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. We are voting on the Withem amendment. Have you all voted? Senator Withem.