

symbols and they're ready for policies and programs that accomplish what they're intended to accomplish and they're tired of policy and programs that do nothing. That's what this does, doesn't do, in my opinion, doesn't do anything. If we want to give them responsibility then let's cap it all. That will give them responsibility. You know, we can have both the symbol and the substance but I haven't seen that proposal come before us. I don't know, it's probably just the...I don't know what pressure is being talked about here. I haven't...there hasn't been any pressure applied to me, but maybe it's just applied to the influential veterans of the Legislature that have to put up with all the pressure that surfaces from outside. And we all have lessons to learn. I guess I'm nearing completion of my first season in here and I've observed and taken part. It appears to me that maybe there are some veterans that have learned some lessons and maybe they've forgotten some lessons that they've learned, but I'm not going to point that out to them. I think they're aware. We all come from different perspectives and, Senator Wesely, I, as you know, served six years at the local level. I don't know if you've had to deal with the pressures of explaining to somebody why Mr. Smith's street is getting rocked and Mr. Jones' isn't, you know, some of those real life issues at the local level. But I think this is...I think this is an important vote. I don't think it's a critical vote anymore than a number of votes that we're going to have. I don't think it's that symbolic. I think that we need to support the motion to reconsider and support the Dierks amendment and I appreciate everybody's attention. Thank you.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Question.

SENATOR WILL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question before the body is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted on ceasing debate? Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SENATOR WILL: Debate is ceased. Senator Lindsay, you are recognized to close on your motion.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President. I would ask for a call of the house, get that started before I start closing.