

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I have been authorized to close for Senator Bohlke. I was going to try to carry off an imitation of her voice, but everybody is shaking their head no. Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, my closing on this amendment and recommending that we adopt it should demonstrate that I am not opposed to every single thing that is being proposed in this bill. If we are going to do something about providing jobs and making sure that they pay a living wage, and some group is going to look into that, this may be the best instrumentality that we can devise for achieving that purpose. Since we have thoroughly discussed the terms of the amendment, itself, and Senator Wesely's amendment makes it clear that the roundtable, although consisting of volunteers from business, industry, and so forth, but that the state departments and agencies will be required to offer their assistance and participation, that will give some substance to what is to be undertaken here. With Senator Hall's amendment having tied the ribbon, we can offer you a package that I think is at least adequate. So I will ask that you adopt it.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the AM272, the second portion of AM2405. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Members, I invite your attention to the board, and if you care to record your vote, would appreciate your doing so to help us expedite the business. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the adoption of that portion of the Bohlke amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The section two on your summary of AM2405 to LB 455 sheet has been adopted. We now move I believe, Senator Bohlke, am I correct in saying we move to item 3, which is labeled as FA273?

SENATOR BOHLKE: That's correct.

SPEAKER WITHEM: But, but your preference would be to have the Clerk read some items for the record before you begin, I would assume.

SENATOR BOHLKE: That would definitely be my preference.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Mr. Clerk.