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Coordsen. Senator Hudkins, Senator Wesely, and Senator Coordsen. Senator Coordsen. We are waiting for Senator Coordsen. Senator Schimek, we have been unable to locate Senator Coordsen. Mr. Clerk, please call the roll.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Roll call vote taken.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Could we have it a little quieter, the Clerk's having difficulty hearing.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Roll call vote continued.) The vote is 26 ayes, 18 nays on the adoption of the Schimek amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is adopted. The call is raised. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next item is from Senator Bernard-Stevens. He'd move to indefinitely postpone the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. Couple of... Senator Cudaback, what I'm concerned about, a couple of things I'm concerned about. Number one, I hope it's not a gambling bill in disguise, because the way it's worded, the way you have it worded now is any issue, no candidates, just issue. So if Lincoln County, the city of North Platte, the city of Brady, the city of Omaha, the county of Omaha (sic), any political subdivision who wanted to go ahead and put a gambling issue on the ballot, as you support in the CA that we talked about yesterday and we'll pick up next week, any of those political subdivisions could put that issue in a special election and go by ballot to get that passed. And somehow I have a feeling, Senator Cudaback, that gambling, people on both sides would probably go to war, in this case it would be household-to-household because those ballots would be going out to the household. We might even have, I suspect we might have a gambling issue decided by mail. And with that...and not just because of that, lots of other things about the process of ballots going to a house to vote then have people write their answer...Senator Schimek commented a couple of things. Before I get to that, please remember now we have an untried process. We now have no idea what the A bill is going