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SENATOR COORDSEN: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I see four hands. I see five hands. Thank you. The question before the body is the calling of the question.

SENATOR DIERKS: Could we call the house please?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Call of the house has been requested. Question is, shall the house go under call? There has been a request for a roll call vote on the question. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 6 nays to place the house under call, Mr. President.

SENATOR COORDSEN: The house is under call. If you're not in the Chamber please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Senator Bohlke, Warner, Wesely, please. Senator Jones, Senator Landis. Senator Bohlke, would you check in please. Senator Landis, Senator Jones, would you please report to the Chamber. All of the members not excused are present. The question is, calling the question. There's been a request for a roll call vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 718-19 of the Legislative Journal.) 22 ayes, 17 nays to cease debate.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Debate does not cease. Next speaker, Senator Fisher. Oh, the call is raised.

SENATOR FISHER: Mr. President and members, I was going to speak on the bracket motion and then I think, the more I think about it I think that we have to seriously consider this issue. I have yet to ever accomplish anything with...if I put it off till tomorrow, and that's what we're doing with this issue. We're putting it off to tomorrow. I think that we must address this, it's important. I thought I'd just share some items with you about Grand Island and Fonner Park. I think it's important that we look at the seriousness of this. Horse racing is an industry. I think we need to keep it. I think we need to look at it and massage it, perhaps, a little bit. But since, from '59 to 1994 Fonner Park has contributed over \$2 million in cash donations. The Nebraska Independent Colleges, 300,000; 4-H show, 200,000; 4-H activities, 69,000; Stuhr Museum, \$206,000;