

right now. None of that is there. And if we, in the Legislature, are going to begin saying, this is a good issue because we all agree with the topic, but we're going to begin the policy and say, we'll fund it later, we'll wait and see what happens without any of the real information, when they have the people to do it now if they wanted to, if they had it as a priority. But they don't put any of their dollars into it, no, no, no, they will ask us to do some of those things because they want us to make it a priority. And it puts, I think, a question of how is our executive branch and how's the Legislature, how can we work together if it truly is a priority of the state, to reorganize what we have and funnel it into these areas. That's what I'm looking forward to see if Senator Wesely and Senator Schimek can relay my fears on Select File.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: But at this point, I'll be voting no.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wesely. Do I see five hands? I do. The question before the body is, shall debate now cease? All of those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. The question is, shall debate now cease? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wesely. Oh, Senator Schimek, you're recognized for closing.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you. Mr. President, members of the body, this has been a lengthy discussion and it has been a good discussion. It has been a frustrating discussion at times. But I think that I sense goodwill on the part of the body, I think the body recognizes the problem. There's just not entire agreement over how to solve that problem. I guess I'd like to respond to a few comments that were made and primarily, first of all, regarding the definition of affordable housing and low income. And I have said from the beginning of the discussion on those terms, and I'll...I'll just reiterate it, I think both Senator Wesely and I would be willing to work on those definitions. We would be willing to sit down between now and Select File and try to put in statute either a clearer definition or, I think, maybe instructing the housing committee to come back with those kinds of definitions. Now you can take