

I do. The question is, shall debate cease? Those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're voting on ceasing debate, have you all voted? Senator Jensen? Record please.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 10 nays to cease debate.

SENATOR CROSBY: Debate does not cease. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator, is this amendment to the amendment we're on now? Is that what this is? Senator Withem would move to amend his amendment. (See FA532 on page 1169 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Withem, to open on your amendment to your amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: First of all I'd like to indicate to the body that Senator Bromm is a much better poker player than I am, I guess. I folded first. Not really, not really. What he had suggested to me a while ago was that maybe, maybe we were both kind of heading in the right direction, but that maybe my amendment hung on to more land than he was comfortable with as being part of the policy of the state. So what I am proposing here, and I think he's comfortable with, and I'll yield my remainder of my opening to him to have him comment on that. Currently in the, my amendment, where in line 7 it says, one-third of the value of the school permanent portfolio would be invested in land, that would be stricken and it would say "one-fourth". And where it says in line 9, "the remaining two-thirds", this would be "the remaining three-fourths". What this would result in would be of the \$335 million that is currently in land, roughly two-thirds of that would be sold and a third of it would be retained in land. That is my proposed amendment, which I hope compromises somewhat the difference between those who say that it ought to be the state policy to sell all of it versus people like me that have come to the conclusion that some land needs to be sold. And I know there are those individuals in here, like Senator Dierks referred to this as the lesser of two evils. I'm glad he didn't refer to Senator Bromm or me as being the evil of two lesser in that case. But he referred to this as lesser of two evils. This moves further away from where those people are comfortable. And I understand that. It still, though, maintains what I say as the principal, and that is that we ought to move toward a sale,