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amendment on my motion to return to Select File. I would not have anything to add to that. If there are questions, I would try to respond, but I will not repeat my opening. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the amendment? Senator Bromm, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of AM0763 to LB 90. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 36 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the Select File amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is adopted. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. Speaker, I'd move for the advancement of LB 90 to E & R for engrossing.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The motion before the body is the advancement...readvancement of LB 90. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed say nay. It is advanced. We next move to LB 141. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 141, Senator Wickersham would move to return the bill for a specific amendment, AM1107. (AM1107, Legislative Journal page 1313.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to open on your motion to return.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The amendment that we're proposing this morning, that I'm going to ask you to return LB 141 for the adoption of, does two different things, and it's in two different areas. The first concerns municipalities and the Municipal Equalization Aid Pool that we created a couple of years ago. In 1998, we distributed approximately \$9 million through that fund. The distributions are based on a ratio of your average per capita tax capacity in your municipality as compared to other municipalities, and we actually have three groupings of municipalities that we use for purposes of that comparison. It was designed to assist municipalities in meeting the lower levy caps and to be a measure of their ability to do that, based on average per capita