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LB 605

record.

CLERK: 24 ayes, 0 nays to place the house under call.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The house is under call. Those unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. Would unexcused members please report to the Chamber and record your presence. Senator Raikes, did you make a sign to me that you would like to put into an oral request?

SENATOR RAIKES: Can't do that here on the floor, Mr. President, but I would accept call-in votes.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Raikes has authorized call-in votes. The house is under call. Voting on the Raikes' amendment. Call-in votes are being accepted.

CLERK: Senator Bourne voting aye.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 8 nays on the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk. The call is raised.

CLERK: Senator Beutler would move to amend. (AM1753, Legislative Journal page 2057.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, you're recognized on your motion to amend LB 605.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, in short this amendment would do two things: drop \$1 million of General Funds out of the program and then it would do another very important thing. Right now the way the structure is set up, it's part producer checkoff and part General Funds, as you know, originally designed to be about 50-50. Under the current law, any money that's left over at the end, it all goes to the checkoff fund no matter how much General Funds is there. I don't know or remember the history of it enough to know how that ever got there in the first place. But