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FLOOR DEBATE

April 24, 2003      LB 759

shall debate cease on AM1481? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is ceasing debate. The question before the body is to cease debate on AM1481 to LB 759. Have you all voted who wish to on the motion to cease debate? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK:            27 ayes,    0 nays    to    cease    debate,  
Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Debate does cease. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close on your amendment, AM1481 to LB 759.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Mr. President, I will ask for a call of the house.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    There's been a request for a call of the house. All in favor of the house going under call vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK:            28 ayes,    0 nays    to    go    under    call,  
Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    The house is under call. All unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. Unexcused senators report to the Chamber. The house is under call. Senator Chambers,...as you know, Senator Chambers, your house...or your time is running.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Mr. President, members of the Legislature, those who may not have been on the floor, heard what I had to say,...those who were here heard it. I think this is a valid amendment. I believe that on General File, some of the heavy lifting ought to be done, and that's from the standpoint of process. There were other amendments I offered the first day to try to give some direction that I thought would have been appropriate to what we were discussing, namely, consider money earmarked from the tobacco tax, and see whether we wanted to continue doing that, whether or not we could make better use of money that already is coming in. This amendment is not just symbolic. I have always opposed these kind of taxes. And either the votes will be here, Mr. President, or they won't. So