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SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. Mr. Clerk, anything else further on the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further at this time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: There are no lights on. Senator Brashear, you're recognized to close on advancement of LB 759 to E & R Initial.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, I think clearly after two and a half days there is no question that everybody understands exactly what we're doing here, and we are trying to move LB 759 to Select File. We have four component parts within it; the 30 cents cigarette tax increase, the income tax rate adjustment and making it permanent, the sales tax restructuring, and the alcohol beverage tax increase. I'm not going to belabor it further than that because of the hour. I would ask that you advance LB 759 to Select File. Thank you for your patience and consideration during this two and a half days of debate.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. You've heard the closing on advancement of LB 759 to E & R Initial. The question before the body is, shall LB 759 advance? All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on advancement of LB 759 to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 5 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 759 does advance. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: One item, Mr. President. Senator Byars has an amendment to LB 523 to be printed. That's all that I have. (Legislative Journal page 1404.)