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thing. I don't believe that's feasible, so I'll go ahead and support this bill raising \$245 million, thereabouts, of new taxes, and I think though that when we do that we need to leave the door open that says, this is not done without a sunset on it. And, as I said, I will offer an amendment on Select File to sunset the sales tax. It's drawn up. It's 1-1-07. So with that, I support Senator Redfield's amendment. I think it's important and it's just good policy. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM PRESIDING

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Call the question.

SPEAKER BROMM: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Yes, I do. The question before us then is, shall debate cease? All in favor vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SPEAKER BROMM: Debate does cease. Senator Redfield, you're recognized to close on your amendment.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will remind you this allows the increase to stay in place until January 1, 2006. It's important to go January through January for the actual implementation by our Department of Revenue and this gives us an extra year after this biennial budget to find another solution or to say amen to this one again. It is the income tax portion only. Senator Baker is offering an amendment on the sales tax portion and he intends to do that on Select File. I would ask for your endorsement of this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Redfield. You've heard the closing. All in favor of the amendment please vote aye, and opposed nay.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Yes, Senator Redfield.