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amendments express a number of different ideas that I hope to negotiate with Senator Smith, I think at this point in time the better part of procedure is to simply withdraw that amendment, Mr. Clerk, and all amendments that I have filed.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. They are withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Baker, AM1663. But, Senator, I have a note you wanted to withdraw that.

SENATOR BAKER: That's correct.

CLERK: Senator Baker, AM1688.

SENATOR BAKER: I wish to withdraw that amendment also, please.

CLERK: Senator Synowiecki, AM1961. (Legislative Journal page 1887.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Synowiecki, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. My amendment would exempt nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations from the provisions of the bill. A few things. First of all, the original version of this bill did not cover charitable nonprofit organizations. So the nonprofits did not have opportunity to participate in the public hearing of this bill. Secondly, more than half of the 32 states that have some form of do not call legislation exempt nonprofit charitable organizations. And the federal do not call list as well, as it's currently written up and implemented, exempts nonprofit organizations. This type of solicitation is critically important to a number of organizations throughout the state. It would impact them negatively. And Senator Smith has agreed to this amendment. And I urge the adoption. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Mr. Speaker, I'd yield my time to Senator Smith.