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that with. And, Senator Combs, it went over the head of practically everybody in the Chamber. They don't even know what we just pulled. But sometimes there needs to be...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a bit of levity. And that's what I will bring, in addition to alienating or irritating my colleagues. They're upset today, but it will be gone tomorrow. You know why I know that? Because they're going to have some sticking point, and come to me and say, Ernie, how can I get myself out of this, how should I draft this legislation? And they know that if they come to me with something that I think has substance and merit, I'll help them, even if I'm opposed to what they're doing. So I've been around here long enough to know how things go. And young people ought to learn from what they observe. Don't be swayed by the whimsy of people who are fickle, and they will glower and growl today, then tomorrow forget what it was all about and forget that they even glowered and growled. But I'm going to stay on this as long as you all allow me. And the only way you can stop me is if Senator Foley invokes cloture and you give him 33 votes and you tell me you're trading the session...

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...for this bill. Thank you, Mr. President. Once again, our numbers are few, I'm going to ask for a call of the house.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Chambers. A call of the house has been requested. All in favor of the house going under call please vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 23 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, to place the house under call.

SPEAKER BROMM: The house is under call. Members, please report to the Chamber and record your presence. Unauthorized personnel, please leave the floor. The house is under call. Senators Engel, Mossey, Jones, and Raikes. Senators Kremer, Hartnett, Cunningham, and Baker. Senator Jones, Senator