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And I feel that each one of us should support it also. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Tyson. Mr. Clerk, is there a motion on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schimek would move to amend Senator Smith's amendment, AM26...FA1478. (Legislative Journal page 723.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, you're recognized to open on FA1478 to the Smith amendment, AM2670.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President and members. Done a lot of work over the weekend, and thinking about the discussions on the floor last week. And as you know, in the discussions last week, the numbers were in discussion, and so was the local vote in discussion. And on the numbers, I said, well, I really don't know that lowering the number to one would bring about the kind of votes that we need on Final Reading. But I indicated that I was very open to lowering the number. And what I needed to do was to try to ascertain where people were. What I have tried to do on Friday...or what I tried to do on Friday, with the help of some other people, is to try to find out what that comfort level would be. And this amendment, which really strikes the Smith amendment, offers five as a number for casinos in the state, lowers it from eight to five, and then addresses the issue of the local vote. And on the discussion of the Smith amendment last week, I said that we had looked at language, we had thought about language, and in fact it had been suggested on General File, and then I said on General File that I'd be willing to look at language. Nobody came to me with language between General File and Select File. And I think Select File is where we are this morning, incidentally. It says General File up there on the board. But nobody came to me, and frankly, even though we worked out some language, I wasn't sure it was right, and it didn't seem eminent, because nobody seemed to want to pursue it. So I have, with the help of some other people, drawn some new language that we've tried to think through very carefully, because we don't know exactly what the process will be next year when the Legislature meets, and we