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stage of debate. I'm always open to any conversation that you might want to have with me or any of the other sponsors regarding this issue. But let's not let this bill go forward without some improvement. And I...and it is an improvement, I think, to have that county vote on there in that it will make people more comfortable about the issue. And I said on General File that I'd be perfectly willing to consider that issue, even though I think it could be done in statute next year. If it gives everybody a comfort level, let's do it. So I ask for you to strongly consider what we're doing here today to adopt the floor amendment, FA1480, to the Smith amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the opening on FA1480, offered by Senator Schimek to AM2670. Open for discussion. Senator Smith, followed by seven others. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I'd move to divide the question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Smith moves to divide the question. Senator Smith and Senator Schimek, would you please come forward please, Senator Schimek and Senator Smith? Thank you. Senator Schimek, there's been a motion to divide the amendment. There has been a request for division of the question. The Chair does rule that it is divisible. Mr. Clerk, would you please read how the question was divided by Senator Smith.

CLERK: Mr. President, the amendment is divisible, as you ordered. Senator Schimek, you have the option, Senator, as to what piece we take up. Do you want to do the "eight" to "five" component, the number? Mr. President, Senator Schimek would offer then the first component, which consists, on page 2, line 22, strike "eight" and insert "five." (FA1483, Legislative Journal page 724.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: And it was divided into three different pieces. Senator Schimek, to open on the first part of the divided AM.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I have spoken on this several times, so I think I'm going to speak