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a little bit of extra income to get by for a few more years, while they're still able and willing to do something. This is something that the money is usually paid in by an employer some place on the wages that they've received. They're usually working a full-time job someplace, a lot of times in construction through the summertime, and they're laid off for the winter. It's done the same way as any construction company usually does with their employees. They hire them through the summer and intend for them to do something through the winter, and a lot of times draw unemployment for a certain length of time. This isn't something that's...that would be detrimental. There isn't that many people. Twelve hundred and forty-one people in Nebraska in 2002 are the ones that were receiving benefits like this, and the money that it costs the trust fund isn't that great. The money will be...is paid into the trust fund by the employers, but this is a way that I think that we can help senior citizens get along for a few more years. Usually anyone that would be on Social Security, they don't have many years ahead of them that they will be drawing this type of benefits, but for the short period of time that they can, it isn't any more than fair that they should be able to draw these benefits. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Louden. You've heard the closing. The question before us is the adoption of AM2291. All in favor vote aye, and opposed nay. Senator Chambers has requested a roll call vote. And Senator Louden has requested a call of the house. The question before...the question before us is whether the house shall go under call. All in favor vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to place the house under call.

SPEAKER BROMM: The house is under call. Unexcused senators please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. The house is under call. Senator Johnson. Senator Johnson. Mr. Clerk, you may proceed to call the roll. The question before the body is the adoption of AM2291.