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which was the original A bill. So with that, I would ask for your advancement of the Beutler amendment and LB 962A.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Further discussion on the Beutler amendment? Seeing no lights on, Senator Beutler, you're recognized to close on AM3204.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, Senator Wehrbein, Senator Schrock, thank you for the accommodation. I hope this is what we will do in the end, obviously, and I'm prepared to present to you the best arguments that can be made on behalf of this particular solution, which I feel strongly is the best one. I...my tendency here is to go into the defense of the Environmental Trust and point out how much it has helped us over the last budget cycles, but I don't think this is the time for that. Perhaps on Select File that's the debate that we need to have, depending on how people feel after they see the budget and what's happening with the budget. So with that and anticipating future discussions, I would again recommend to you the adoption of this amendment. It does cut back on our commitment to General Funds from \$7 million to \$1.5 million. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing on AM3204 offered by Senator Beutler to LB 962A. All in favor of the amendment vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is the Beutler amendment, AM3204, which is an amendment to LB 962A. We're voting on the Beutler amendment. Have you all voted who wish to? Have you all voted? The question before the body is the Beutler amendment to LB 962A. Have you all voted who care to? For what purpose do you rise, Senator Beutler?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Could I ask for a call of the house?

SENATOR CUDABACK: There has been a request for a call of the house. All in favor of the house going under call vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 18 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to place the house under call.