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term-limited out by the Executive Board. But I don't think the Governor should have all of this appointing power. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Any further discussion? Seeing none, the Chair recognizes Senator Burling to close on AM1099.

SENATOR BURLING: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I understand the skepticism on this commission. And we'll talk more about that later. But I introduced the amendment because I think some involvement from the executive branch will give it more credibility and more...better chance of success if we have the executive branch involved, so that they have an ownership in it. My amendment would leave the fact that the Executive Board appoints eight of the members, and the Governor appoints the other seven members, and then a couple of other things that I explained earlier, about giving them a charge, and a report goes to the Governor. That's what my amendment does. If you want...if you don't want the Governor to make the appointments of seven members, and leave it all up to the Executive Board, why, then vote against this amendment. If you want the executive branch involved in this study...tax study commission, then support my amendment. And I think that that's the best way to go. So I urge your support for AM1099. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Burling. You've heard the closing on AM1099 to the Revenue Committee amendments, AM0932. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Voting on the adoption of the Burling amendment, AM1099, which is an amendment to the Revenue Committee amendments to LB 542. Senator Burling, what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR BURLING: Mr. President, I think we need a call of the house, please.

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

ASSISTANT CLERK: 15 ayes, 0 nays to go under call,