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SENATOR JANSSEN: ...support this bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. Senator Landis, followed by Senator Redfield.

SENATOR LANDIS: I call the question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do see five hands. The question before the body is, shall debate cease on the bracket motion? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The motion before the body is, shall debate cease on the motion to bracket LB 500 to June 3, '05? Have you all voted on the question who care to? We're voting on the motion to bracket...to cease debate on the bracket motion. Have you all voted? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 1 nay, to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. Debate does cease. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close on your motion.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. It is clear that this notion of tourism and entertainment was just thrown in as a smoke screen to hide a retail scheme. Senator Dwite Pedersen pointed out a business in his area that did not get any state assistance. The Legislature is being asked to fund an outfit which doesn't need any help, to wipe out the establishment that Senator Pedersen mentioned to us, Senator Dwite Pedersen. I have heard countless times on this floor criticisms of Wal-Mart. I've received literature pointing out in detail what they're practices and schemes are in wiping out the competition. How can you condemn Wal-Mart and then support Wal-Mart under the alias of "Caballa's?" "Caballa's" doesn't need the help of the Legislature. If they have looked at that location and have seen that it's a crossroads, so to speak, and the kind of people they're appealing to will come there, let them do as other businesses have done. Open there and see if their judgment and their assessments were correct. But that's not good enough. This is