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CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The vote was successful. Debate does cease. Senator Stuthman, you're recognized to close on AM1470.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Mr. President, first of all, I would like to ask for a call of the house.

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 vote nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 1 nay to place the house under call, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Vote was successful. The house is under call. All unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. Unexcused senators report to the Chamber. The house is under call. The house is under call. Senator Dwite Pederson, Senator Hudkins, Senator Langemeier, Senator Heidemann, Senators Fischer, Landis, Schrock, Raikes, Redfield, Senators Smith, Friend, Loudon, and Thompson, and Bourne, please check in. The house is under call. Senator Stuthman, your time is running, as you know.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Okay. Yes. Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. In closing, I would just like to make a few comments. First of all, I want to thank my colleagues for helping me through this. You know, this is kind of a new experience for me and there's going to be a lot of them in the future that it's going to be the first-time event for many of them, you know, putting an amendment on a bill. And I apologize for some of my ignorance, but I really appreciate the senators making corrections, and I stand corrected on those points. But I want to...I want to just mention a little bit that all I'm asking for is to put the dollar amount up to what was put in the bill several years ago, an amount not to exceed. I'm not asking for any more dollars. I'm asking a few more dollars than was put in the budget by the Appropriations Committee. They put in \$3.5 million. The original plan was dollars not to exceed \$3.901 (sic) million. That's all I'm asking for, is just to go