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are really talking about five years. And I think if, you know, looking at that, that this is certainly not out of line. I do agree with Senator Schimek that we are at the very low stage right now and all we are trying to do is just to bring it to the average of those Midwestern states that include Nebraska. With that, I give the rest of my time back to the Chair. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Foley.

SENATOR FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. President, member. I'm going to echo somewhat of what Senator Stuhr just offered to us. We need to bear in mind we cannot raise the salaries of these constitutional officers while they're in office. So if this bill passes, it kicks in, in 2007, and you can't raise it again till the year 2011. So we're covering a long span of time here. I think that's one more reason to support the amendment and the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Foley. Senator Chambers, there are no further lights on, so the Chair recognizes you to close on AM1461.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, when you consider the rationale given by everybody, I think the amendment will be adopted, so I will not speak further on it. And I will accept a machine vote before I see whether it's necessary to ask for anything else.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the closing on AM1461. The question before the body is, shall AM1461 be adopted to LB 683? All in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Voting on adoption of the Chambers amendment, AM1461. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill at this time,