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final user. That's a principle that we've operated on, stuck to, in all sorts of sales tax policy. I suggest that we stick to it here. I suggest that we not go this step in LB 312, and I would remind you, if we don't, the savings on the revenue base to the state amount to \$17 million per year, and on up. This is money that we cannot afford to give away for no good fundamental reason, and not knowing what results it is likely to create that are beneficial. Again, I urge your support. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Further discussion on the Raikes amendment? Senator Raikes, there are no senators wishing to speak. You are recognized to close on AM1626.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you. Again, thank you, Mr. President and members. I hope you will give this serious consideration. This is something that...now is the time you have to do this. You can't say, well, I'm going to wait and see what happens. You know, as well as I know, once you give this away, you're not going to get it back. And when we run out of money again in the future, and it will happen, we'll have to go someplace else. We won't be able to come back here, because this will be gone, and it is...the hands that keep us away are too powerful. So this is the time, and I hope you will support this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the closing on AM1626. The question before the body is, shall that amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. The issue before the body is the Raikes amendment, AM1626, to LB 312. Voting on the Raikes amendment. Have you all voted? Senator Raikes, are you standing for a purpose?

SENATOR RAIKES: I would ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Been a request for a call of the house. All in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 2 nays, to place the house under call.