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Senator Stuthman. Senator Schrock, would you check in, please? Thank you. Senator Mines.

SENATOR MINES: Mr. President, we could proceed.

SENATOR CUDABACK: How did you wish to proceed?

SENATOR MINES: Call-in votes, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I did not understand you. Call-in votes? Mr. Clerk, when you get time, please accept them.

CLERK: Senator Landis voting yes. Senator Hudkins voting yes. Senator Smith voting yes. Senator Louden voting yes. Senator Smith, I'm sorry, you did vote yes, right, Senator? Thanks. Senator Don Pederson voting yes. Senator Schrock voting yes. Senator Brown voting yes. Senator Burling voting yes. Senator Johnson voting yes. Senator Heidemann voting yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 3 mays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. Debate does cease. Senator Cunningham, Chairman of the Business and Labor Committee, you're recognized to close. Did I raise the call? If I didn't, I do now.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Well, if you were to refer to the sheet that Senator Beutler handed out earlier, minimum wage, that's basically the status of the committee amendment, as amended by the Beutler amendment. So if you were to follow through that, currently the minimum wage is \$5.15 an hour. September 30 of this year it goes to \$5.59 an hour through...\$5.59 an hour from October 1 of this year through September 30 of next year; \$6.02 an hour from October 1, 2007, through September 30, '08; and \$6.46 an hour on and after October 1, '08. The tipping wage would be 50 percent of the applicable minimum wage. There is a training wage that is \$4.61 an hour starting October 1 of '06 through September 30 of '07; \$4.97 an hour from October 1, '07 through September 30 of '08;