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the way is whether a person receives vision or not. I guess that is all I have to say, members. I would be pleased if you voted against Senator Pirsch's amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? The Chair sees five hands. The question is shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. The question is, shall the debate cease? Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion is carried. The vote is in the affirmative and Senator Pirsch is entitled to close.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. President. I would like the Clerk to read the amendment just so it is clear what you would be returning this bill to, possibly vote for it.

CLERK: Mr. President.

SENATOR PIRSCH: This would replace Section 2 as it now is in your bill.

CLERK: (Reread Pirsch amendment found on page 492, Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR PIRSCH: If you will notice, the language says "in the absence of actual notice.....by the decedent", and I think that when we are considering setting a precedent, because this is a precedent, it is a little eye tissue, and I want you to know I am not a Catholic and I am an eye cornea donor along with the rest of my body, but I still think that what we are looking at is the principle, and there still is a transportation problem. There still will be a problem of finding an ophthalmologist in a little town where an accident happens in time. Those qualities are still going to be there. But while we are looking for the ophthalmologist and we are looking to get the body back to the coroner's office, why can we not respect the deceased's wishes and at least give the opportunity for notice of those wishes. I hope that you return the bill and add this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question is on the adoption of the Pirsch amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed...the first motion is to return the bill to Select File. All