

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, I call the question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. It won't be necessary but thank you anyway. Senator Beutler, did you wish to close?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Just briefly, Mr. Speaker. We are dealing with what is called the statute of repose and my amendment seeks to extend it from six years to ten years. And what it basically means is simply this, for persons who do not discover that something is wrong with them, if they don't discover it before six years have passed under current law, they are simply out. They cannot file a lawsuit. But with this amendment we would give them ten years. We would say you have ten years in which to discover that something is wrong with you. That is the sole purpose and intent of the amendment and I would ask its adoption.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You have heard the motion and the motion is the adoption of the Beutler amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Simple majority. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 8 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The amendment to the amendment is adopted. Back to the committee amendments. Anything else on it?

CLERK: Nothing further on the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, did you wish to speak further to the committee amendments?

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I would just hope that after the multitudes of meetings we have had and tried to bring both sides together, you wouldn't believe when we started this bot' sides felt that it was absolutely impossible to work anything out, and it has been worked out. And with this final what I would call a reasonable compromise I think the bill is in pretty good form. I would urge you to adopt