

April 9, 1984

LB 341

All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, are we still under Call?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, we are. Would you like to have them check in?

SENATOR VICKERS: I would like to have everybody check in first.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, please check in to see if we are all here. Please punch your green light. Senator Lamb, Senator DeCamp, Senator Labeledz, Senator Withem, Senator Schmit, Senator Warner, Senator Landis, Senator Barrett. Senator Barrett is excused. Let's see, Senator Warner, Senator Chambers and Senator Landis. We are all here. We are all here, Senator Vickers, do you want to close, please?

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, I would like to give Senator Beutler a minute of my time in closing to start with.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I am going to support 341, and as I sit here now, I am repentant that I didn't support 809. I guess I am kind of glad that it passed, but basically I have just finally resolved in my own mind what the whole problem is here and what we have to face up to next year and why we ought to pass 341 and just finally face it. We've got to have a sales tax on services. You and I know that we're not coming back here next year and raising the sales tax rate to 5 percent and the income tax rate to 25 percent to do all these crazy things we are doing. We've got to have a sales tax on services. It is the only logical answer. It is the only fair answer, and when we do this with 341 we will face

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