

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The question has been called, do I see five hands. I see five hands. The question before you is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, Madam President, excuse me, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Debate ceases. The Chair recognizes Senator Withem to close on his motion.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, Madam President, members of the body. This motion is not...there was a lot of discussion surrounding this motion about whether 392 is a good budget, or is not a good budget; a lot of talk as to whether our current appropriations process is a good process, or not a good process. Those are good discussions, I think, for the Legislature to continue to have. I don't think there are any of our procedures around here that are so perfect that they cannot stand some improvement. However, that was not the reason I made the motion. I made the motion simply because when you're, as we are, sitting here on May 22nd with now about less than 4 1/2 days left of us to move legislation, there comes a time when you have to move forward and use your time as productively as you can. And I think continuing to offer amendments to get some...anywhere between ten and 20 votes for adoption is not the best way to use our time, so that is the reason for which I am making this motion. I would urge you to adopt it. I would ask for a call of the house, and I will take a machine vote.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Withem. There has been a request for a call of the house. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The house is under call. Would senators please return to their seats and check in. Would all unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. The house is under call. Senator Bromm, Senator Jensen, Senator McKenzie, Senator Robak, and Senator Lynch. We are waiting for Senator Lynch. Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I will authorize you to go ahead with the