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LB 262

SENATOR LABEDZ: Yesterday I was on a half hour program on Channel 3 with Senator Chambers, and I noticed today he did say, mention one thing, that the death penalty is there and so is the fear. Now this alone should make us realize that the death penalty being there is a fear, and regardless of what happens to Senator Venditte's motion today to put it on the ballot, after the program there were twelve people in LaVista that went out door to door and are already getting signatures, and I got a call this morning, and there is a man going to be at 1:00 o'clock in front of Brandies on Farnum Street...he is already getting signatures. I received about thirty-five calls before I left Sunday, people asking to put it on the ballot, if not on...and get it into the constitution so this Legislature will never be able to touch the death penalty again. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Venditte, do you wish to close any further? All right, the question then before the House is the Venditte motion to return LB 262. The motion is on the return. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? How many are now excused? Three. Three are excused, Senator Venditte. What do you wish to do?

SENATOR VENDITTE: Roll call vote, Mr. Speaker.

PRESIDENT: Do you want a Call of the House first, or do you want a roll call vote?

SENATOR VENDITTE: I thought we were under Call. We are not under Call?

PRESIDENT: No we are not under Call. The Call was raised, so we really have to go under Call technically.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Then I would move that...

PRESIDENT: I think you are almost all here, but we might just better go under Call to make sure. So the motion... clear the board, and the motion is, shall the House go under Call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 6 nays to go under Call.

PRESIDENT: The House is under Call, so now let's everybody register their presence. I think almost everyone is here, but let's make sure. Senator Marvel, Senator Fitzgerald,