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LB 498

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lewis moves to indefinitely postpone LB 498.

PRESIDENT: The Chair...well, I guess I'll recognize Senator Lewis since he made the motion. Go ahead, Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Remember what I just said.

PRESIDENT: That's it? I have a whole board full of lights. Let's see who wants to talk next on the...not now. I want to see if you want to talk to the motion to indefinitely postpone, starting with Senator Labedz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Is it appropriate to call for the question?

PRESIDENT: Yes, you can if you want to.

SENATOR LABEDZ: I call for the question.

PRESIDENT: All right, the question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. All those in favor of ceasing the debate on the motion to indefinitely postpone vote aye, opposed nay. Yes, cease debate, that is correct, cease debate...on Senator Lewis' motion to indefinitely postpone LB 498. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Motion to cease debate. Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Senator Lewis, you have got one more time.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well, Mr. President, I am serious about the issue. I am concerned about the issue. Anyone that has gone through the idea of probate and has gone through that whole process ends up frustrated. They end up very frustrated to see someone with 50 or 60 thousand dollars of total money and a great deal of that expended. The process is necessary in terms of notification. I guess my concern is that is the way it is done and if we really want to do something about probate cost, this is like a gnat on an elephant in terms of replication of this issue. I think it is a bad bill. It comes down to be a fight between the lawyer and the press, and we might as well put it out there that's how it is. It is not in the interest of the citizen. It is not in the interest of anybody. It is a struggle in terms of those two issues. I do think it is in the citizen's interest that they be notified, the notification is there.