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on ceasing debate, and this is the proper time to take it up before the close. The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President, I move the Call be raised.

PRESIDENT: It is already raised, Senator Marsh. Senator Newell. Senator Newell, did you wish to speak on this reconsideration? Senator Keyes. I have a number of lights on here. I don't know if you want to speak to the Warner motion to reconsider our actions or not. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: What is this, Mr. President?

PRESIDENT: This is the reconsideration of our motion to cease debate, so this would kind of be down your...

SENATOR JOHNSON: Okay, do you want me to speak to that issue?

PRESIDENT: Yes, would you, please.

SENATOR JOHNSON: I genuinely appreciate Senator Warner's courtesy in moving this body to reconsider the question as to whether or not debate should cease. Senator Dworak has already discussed how his amendment does differ substantially from the amendment that was offered last Friday. When we discussed his amendment last Friday, we did not discuss the question presently raised. The question now raised is, if we are to have a lodging tax, should the lodging tax go directly to the highway trust funds, a significantly different question than whether it should go to the general fund. I truly believe it is an important question. It ought to be fully debated so that this body can make the best decision for the citizens of this state. It is for that reason that I do urge you to support Senator Warner's motion to reconsider calling the question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. President, I move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: You sure do like to get a fellow in trouble, don't you. Now let me see where your hands are. I don't see any hands yet. Oh, I do too. Okay, I am going to call it. All those in favor of ceasing debate on the motion to reconsider ceasing debate. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. Anybody have any other motions before I rule? Record the vote.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate.

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