

see five hands? The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Shall debate cease? That is the issue before the House. Have you all voted? Have you all voted on ceasing debate? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion carries. Debate ceases. Senator Koch, to close on your amendment.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, members of this body, I am not trying to exclude anyone from serving on jury duty and these people will advise you as well that if they feel that they are physically capable, medically healthy, they will serve their jury duty. They are not trying to get out of it. All they are asking you is, if they have some private concerns about their medical qualities then they shouldn't have to divulge this for a show of the reason. We all believe in here in the rights of privacy of an individual. This is what they are saying. We are not excluding them. We are not labeling. We are just saying when you reach the age of 65 that you have the choice of opting out of jury service and as Senator Dworak has said, they have paid their dues to the society in a lot of ways, and at that time they should be given that choice I think without having to go through a physician's statement declaring their physical infirmities or whatever they might be. They just merely notify the court that they do not wish to serve in this capacity. The other thing you remember is that many of these people are retired. In the community in which I live it is not unusual now for many people who are 60 or older to take off for the winter and go places and spend the winter in a much better climate. So here again you are offering these people a privilege that I think rightfully belongs to them and I am not trying to label. I am not trying to take away their privilege of serving. I am merely providing them with an option. We did this the other day on snow tires. We have done it before and I just can't believe that we are not going to allow it here. We did it on snow tires for certain people who have certain kinds of physical problems. We are going to allow them to have studs in their snow tires. That is an option and so why not allow the option here to people who have requested this and I cannot believe that we will not allow this to happen. I ask for the adoption of the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is on the adoption of the Koch amendment to LB 733. All those in favor of the amendment vote aye, opposed no. This is a vote on the