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legitimate statewide basis what they think. Ernie gave the best reason for it. He said he has gotten all kinds of letters. What do they think statewide? Let's find out once.

SENATOR NICHOL: All right, I would like to know, too. I have been opposing this bill all the way along but I would like to know what the public really does think. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: I call for the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Do I see five hands? Okay. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. The motion before the House is, shall debate cease? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 5 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate ceases. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: I repeat, I think it is kind of a tension-breaker for the session and I think we will learn something. I think it is always good to learn something and I don't think anybody doubts Joe B. Williams. The poll will only be conducted if there is an issue, if something is alive. As I say, Ernie gave the best arguments. He said he had gotten all kinds of letters. I have gotten letters on both sides but you and I know, everyone in here, particularly Senator Maresh knows. You can get a hundred letters on something and maybe those are the only hundred people supporting or opposing it. Let's find out statewide what they think, and as I say, you can read articles all the time. They say one thing or another. Why not find out what Nebraskans think on this particular issue. That doesn't commit you to support the bill or anything else. In fact, as I say, if it didn't get an overwhelming majority, I wouldn't even support it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion before the House which according to the rules requires 25 votes is the reconsideration of LB 612. All those in favor of reconsidering vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: How many are excused, or do we know?