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LB 848

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President, this would provide for sidewalk cafe atmosphere where there is already a granted license. It has nothing to do with changing it, and we do this at the request of Mr. Howard, City of Lincoln. Not Eddy Howard. He has never been to a sidewalk cafe. This is for Dave Howard, City of Lincoln, and I don't want to take any more time on it. I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of the adoption of the Lewis amendment....Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, a question of Senator Lewis. Has there been a public hearing on this matter?

SENATOR LEWIS: To my knowledge, there hasn't been a public hearing on whether or not you can drink liquor outside in the City of Lincoln, and if the City of Lincoln objects, I will be happy to take my name off of it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Generally speaking, I think I favor this bill, but again, I am going to...and I want to explain my vote on this. I am not voting for this bill for the same reason that I haven't voted for a number of other measures. There has been no public hearing on it. I just consider it out of order at this point in time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Dworak.

SENATOR DWORAK: I call for the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the motion to cease debate. Have you all voted? We are on LB 848. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate ceases. Senator Lewis, do you wish to close?

SENATOR LEWIS: Well, as a guy that's carrying water for Lincoln now, instead of lobbyist, this clarifies the bill and I think it provides an opportunity within existing licensing to provide the flexibility to provide that kind of atmosphere for restaurant environments. This is not a