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CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Debate has ceased. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I apologize again. I didn't intend to utilize a lot of time. Either vote it up or down. Dammit, that is all I cared about. I move the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of the Koch motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Okay, record the vote. Have you all voted? This is the suspension of the rules. Okay, record the vote.

CLERK: Record vote, Senator. Mr. President, (Read record vote found on page 1853, Legislative Journal.) 29 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, motion failed at 29 votes. Go ahead. Motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Keyes moves to extend the session by five days.

SENATOR KEYES: I ain't very long to make a speech. I am just going to tell you that the people of this state when we get into a position like this gave us the option of calling for a vote of the Senators and we get forty to vote to extend the session we should do so. Now there are people who are trying to get by without debating bills. There are people here who want to impose upon the people of this state legislation that has not been discussed, legislation that has not been thoroughly understood and the people don't know whether they are good, whether we are doing them good or whether we are doing them bad. Now the thing to do is to either come up to the obligations that we get when we uphold the oath of office to support this Constitution and to support the government of Nebraska. Now I am asking you to cut bait or fish. I guess that is what it is. As one French General said, we will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer and then another general when he was down in the Philippines, he said, full steam ahead, damn the torpedoes. All I have got to say is let's get in here and vote. If we want to go for five more days, vote. If you don't, don't come in here and try to cut debate off on any bills.

SPEAKER MARVEL: May we proceed with the vote on the Keyes amendment. Senator Beutler. Do you want the amendment read?