

pretending it doesn't exist.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. You are voting to cease debate. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Chambers, would you like to close, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I am not going to take much time because either those who said they would vote to reconsider will do so or they won't. I wanted to get some things into the record, nevertheless, and use enough time to give people a chance to get here. But I want to go back to the issue of whether or not Governor Kerrey may or may not veto the bill. The way I read his latest statement which is in this morning's paper, is that he will give me a chance to present my arguments. I believe if I can persuade...I don't think it would be hard for me to persuade the Governor that I am serious because once I say it, he will accept that. I will be able to give him information and point out things to him and we will go over that Attorney General's Opinion together and I do believe that I can persuade him to give very strong consideration to signing the bill. I can't commit the Governor and as Senator Higgins pointed out earlier and I want to make this clear, when somebody votes against something that I am trying to do, that does not trigger in me a vote against something that they have. So don't even consider that to be a part of what is happening here this morning. I have not told people that if you vote for this, I will vote for something, or if you don't vote for this, I won't vote for something else. I had a little fun with Senator Goodrich the other morning but that was not a situation where I said, you have got to vote for this bill or I won't vote for the teachers, or whatever. I want everybody to know that I have not obligated Senator Goodrich to vote for this bill and if anybody thinks that that is what that was, I want to make it clear it wasn't. I don't