

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm not going to rise in support or in opposition to, but only to make a point and I think it's been alluded to but there's not been too much said about it. I think that you need to bear in mind that if you're going to pass a bill, whether it be homestead exemption or property tax relief, whatever you want to call it, you'd better be prepared to put the dollars there. This misconception that we give to the local level of saying we've done this and done that, but have not fulfilled our promise to put the dollars back there is deceiving. And I think you better be thinking, if you've got two, three different kinds of approaches that in the bottom line deals with the same end. You have to think about which way you're going to go. You're either going to do it up front or else do it indirectly, but just keep in mind you better be prepared with whatever you pass, you're going to put the dollars there. Thank you.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator DeCamp, seeing no other lights, would you like to close on your amendment?

SENATOR DECAMP: Yeah. Since I'm going to have a call of the house for the vote anyway I'd like to have a call of the house first.

SENATOR LABEDZ: A call of the house has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 17 nays, 1 nay to go under call.

SENATOR LABEDZ: The house is under call. All senators will return to their seats. Those within hearing distance, please come to the Legislative Chamber. We have a call of the house. Please record your presence. Senators, please record your presence. Senators in your office, please return to the Chamber. We're under call. Senator Barrett, Senator Haberman, Senator Miller, Senator Hoagland, Senator Hartnett, Senator Peterson, Senator Vickers, please return to the Chamber and if you are here, record your presence. The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Chairperson...