

DeCamp? Senator DeCamp, would you like to request a call of the house?

SENATOR DECAMP: I suppose if that is what...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. The house is under call. Please record your presence. Those not here, please return to the Chamber and record your presence. Several of you have not recorded your presence. Senator Pirsch. Senator DeCamp, would you start and we will try to have them here.

SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, everybody wants to hit their light. Mr. President, this is an important amendment, but I want you to know, unlike most major bills I would have worked on or amendments, I have not lobbied one person, I have not worked one person. I know on the other hand that every person here has received instructions very simple and clear, "vote against the DeCamp amendment". That is a traditional way of lobbying and it is fine and I accept it. I am asking something in the alternative. That is that you at least keep an open mind on the subject and listen to some of the arguments. The proponents cite, the farm groups say it is good. I cite my own credentials. I am not bragging but I know more about this subject than the farm groups. I worked on it steadily in every Supreme Court case for fifteen years. I caused the Holiday Inn case. I warned that Amendment 4 was going to have to happen. I have been doing this for years. I know the subject and I know this new system will result in some problems. Senator Miller, I want to correct something. I do not have two separate systems in my amendment. That was Senator Warner's proposal a few days ago. Mine is simple, actual value based on sales assessment ratios and obviously now they are going to be lower when they figure them out because land prices have dropped. Once you have determined actual value, it is 50 percent of that amount. Why? Because that is what we were doing and that is what most states end up doing through one formula or another. So it is one system. The only other thing in the amendment is it continues LB 30 for one year. Now Senator Warner raised some questions on some technical problems. He is probably right. I would correct that on the chance that the amendment were adopted. Let me ask you this. Where are you going to be in future years in a system which has advisory councils to decide what the cap rate should be,