

businessmen that are taking out bankruptcy. So I feel that employers can't stand an increase in premiums. If we increase the premiums, then it will cause a hardship on these employers. I've talked to Senator Schmit about this and he says well use your own judgement and this is what I'm doing. But I realize right at this time that I don't have the votes, and so I'm going to ask you to withdraw this amendment and urge you to vote red on the bill. Thank you. So I ask for unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment.

PRESIDENT: You may withdraw the amendment, Senator. As they say in the country, is there anything "futher" on the bill? Just read the bill.

CLERK: (Read LB 608 read on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 608 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you voted? Have you recorded your vote? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 2687 of the Legislative Journal.) 29 ayes, 16 nays, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 608 is declared passed. Now, LB 608A.

CLERK: (Read LB 608A on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 608A pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all recorded your vote? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 2688 of the Legislative Journal.) 30 ayes, 15 nays, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: LB 608A is declared passed. Do you have matters for the record?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Mr. President, I have an Attorney General's Opinion to Senator Schmit, and an opinion to Senator Barrett.