

SENATOR ABOUD: Okay, I didn't...

SENATOR MARSH: I know that this was not just my amendment, it was also Senator Hannibal's amendment and he had worked with the local fire chiefs, with the volunteer fire fighters, so they had requested this amendment and they were urging the adoption of this amendment. If there is a problem with it, I would be the first to recommend pulling it off at Select File, but I would urge us at this time to adopt it.

SENATOR ABOUD: Well, with that, in closing I think we've had a good discussion of the amendment and that is all, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Abboud amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the Abboud amendment, if you care to. Senator Marsh, please.

SENATOR MARSH: Is this an amendment so that it takes 25 votes to be adopted or is this an amendment at...

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, it is an amendment.

SENATOR MARSH: So it takes 25 votes to be adopted.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, ma'am.

SENATOR MARSH: If we do not get enough votes, then I would have to ask for a call of the house.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Are you asking for a call now?

SENATOR MARSH: Yes, sir.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, the question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The house is under call. Will you please record your presence. Those not in the Legislative Chambers, please return and record your presence.