

whiz, I didn't mean what I said on the floor, gee whiz, I'm sorry I said that. What I say, I mean. All of those matters are before us while we consider these types of maneuverings. Senator Beutler is clever, he's witty and he's quick of mind, and he gets the Legislature into these time-saving exercises that we are going through now. Senator Hannibal, that is why we are doing this, to save time. He said for me not to address him by name. I won't. But he is handy as a sounding board because he always looks attentive even if he is not. But the Chair, I think, was incorrect. If a closing is not considered debate, that is like saying that H2O is not water. By definition, H2O is water even if the Chair rules that it is not and the Legislature votes that it is not. The Legislature adopted a resolution, Senator Remmers, last time or the time before when they said the millennium is here. But despite what the Legislature voted, it is not. Voted hunger and poverty out of existence, but they still are with us. So, we get what we deserve. My day may come. You all can punish me, but the pleasure will be taken out because it doesn't make me any difference. I'll be back next year. Some of you won't run, some of you will die, probably, but I will go on, and on, and on. There is no way to get me out of here. And my district will send me back here as long as I want to come. Absolutely. Senator DeCamp said I'm right. I could be dead (laughter) and somebody could put my name on the ballot and I'd be voted back in. (Laughter.) And if nobody put my name on the ballot, there would be a write-in just to show how much regard the people in my community have for me while others are showing contempt. So I think the Chair, this time, ought to be overruled because a closing is a part of the debate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Question, what the heck.

SPEAKER NICHOL: 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. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate is ceased. Senator Chambers to close. I don't know whether you're debating or just