

are needed. And to offset some cuts in the Department of Ag's budget, it is appropriate that we try and find a way to continue to fund, through a fee structure, as I think we will see several of these proposals coming down from many other state agencies to offset budgetary restraints. So I would, at this time, move the amendment. I will speak to Senator Nichol's opposition on the bill when we get to it. Mr. President, I would move the adoption of, well, first of all bringing the bill back, and then adopting the amendment. So I'd move to return the bill.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: The motion before us is the return of LB 899 to Select File for specific amendment. Voting on this amendment is extraordinarily slow. I'm about to call it. I will call record in, oh I don't know, just a matter of seconds. Senator Johnson, do you have some motion you wish to make?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Well, Mr. President, I think it would be appropriate that I at least try and get 25 votes here. So I will ask for a call of the house and at that time ask for a roll call, please.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: The question before us is, whether or not the house shall go under call? We are on Final Reading. I suppose that we probably...I'm going to probably just ask people to check in, since we really are on Final Reading. So, here we go. There are a bunch of people here who aren't punching their green lights. Senator Warner, you should be punching your green light. And, Senator Wesely, you should be doing that. And, Senator Lamb, you should quit wandering around because you are under call. Senator Hannibal, Senator Lynch, Senator Goll, Senator Higgins, Senator Chronister, Senator Landis. Senator Landis, you need to be punching in. Senator Miller, Senator Chambers, Senator Firsch, you need to get back to your seat, punch your light, and Senator Chizek. I have found out that Senator Higgins and Senator Chronister are excused, so I have a few lollygaggers. I think that is an Irish expression. While we are waiting, Senator Hartnett is blessed to have some guests. I think this is the first time he's had any. (Laughter.) Sara Gies and Dwight Pearson are from Bellevue, Nebraska, and they are under the north balcony. We should welcome Sara Gies and Dwight Pearson. We still have four who have refused to check their lights. Senator Wesely, Senator Miller, Senator Landis and Senator Chambers. And