of money, but I just wanted to explain that to you. We had not talked to the hazardous materials and I am not condemning the railroads but it is a concern.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you. Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Call the question.

SENATOR CARSTEN: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Debate has ceased. Senator Hannibal, are you going to close on LB 807?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Sure.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Please proceed.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Mr. Chairman, members, I realize that this has been a very, very difficult issue for you all to handle. It has been a very difficult issue for me as well and I would rather than address the arguments back and forth, we have done that a lot, I know it is not going to make any difference in your vote, but I would like to take a moment to just get back to the basic issue and the problems we have had along the way. I have had a lot of you come to me and say this is a tough issue and I am getting pulled on both sides. I would like it to go away, like to have a compromise situation. Senator Withem has been working feverishly, I believe the word would be, in the last few days, along with Senator Scofield, Senator Hoagland, and others to try to come up with some kind of a compromise situation, as Senator Withem alluded to in some of his floor remarks, and I have told Senator Withem that if we move this past General File that I am very willing to sit down and talk more and he knows that. But I have also told him that the issue is the fact that we are a state that is right in the middle of this country with states all around us that operate their rail system different than we. Forty-six states operate their rail system different than we and all that I am trying to do with this bill, LB 807, along with Senator DeCamp, is to say, let's operate our rail system with the rest of the states in the nation. Let's let us have this chance to work under one set of