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hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We're ceasing debate. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Hefner, to close on your amendment.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I'll try and be brief. I think we've had a good discussion on this. What this does is give local government a little more control. It moves it up to the top of the ladder, whereas the way we have it now, they are at the bottom of the ladder and I think that local government should be calling the shots in their community. They know the circumstances best. I think that they will be fair. I served on a town council, in fact, I was even mayor of a small town, my small town of Coleridge, and when we discussed new liquor license applications or the renewals we always tried to be fair. If we felt that they would help the town, help the community, we issued them. If we didn't, if we didn't think they would, we wouldn't issue them and I think that's the way it should be. And so I would urge you to support this amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Hefner amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. A roll call vote has been asked for. Have you all voted? Roll call vote, yes. All right. Roll call vote, Mr. Clerk, please, on the adoption of the Hefner amendment.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken as found on page 1933 of the Legislative Journal.) 32 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The amendment is adopted. Do you have anything else on it, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Mr. President, the next amendment I have is by Senator Pappas.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Pappas, please.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Pass over that one.

CLERK: Do you want to withdraw, Senator? Is that what you mean? Okay.

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