

country, a public perception, of what we have been trying to do or attempted to do and unfortunately we may not be able to accomplish that but, at least, we have given it a good effort. And if Senator DeCamp wins in this particular case, then I assume we will go back to square one and start all over come January but we have come a long ways with LB 3, to a point I hope that we can resolve part of the controversy but, certainly, there is continued problems with this bill just as I perceive there are going to be very serious problems with LB 1.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you. Senator Hoagland, please. The question has been called for, do I see five? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor will vote aye, those opposed will vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Debate has ceased. Senator DeCamp, would you like to close on your amendment, please.

SENATOR DECAMP: How many are excused?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Four, Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Okay, Mr. President. Well, back about 7 or 8 years ago, 9 years ago, I forget the exact date, the country was gripped with something called the energy crisis, and the Congress, as they are supposed to do, decided they had to address the energy crisis. And to go back, they passed bills and the bills totaled about 1,000 pages, I guess, in length and breadth and depth. When it was all over here a couple of years ago, the man who was most responsible for getting most of the energy legislation through was asked about it, and he said, well, it was a 1,000 page bill that satisfied a lot of people and created a lot of confusion and that it was one sentence that solved the energy crisis. The one sentence was oil is hereby deregulated. All the other programs were mostly window dressing to satisfy this or that group so that the one sentence could be buried. If you really want to deal with reestablishing long term financing for agriculture, you will return to a normal market system, a normal economic system, the rules of which you can pass all the laws in the world you are not going to be able to alter. And those rules are if Howard Lamb wants to borrow money from me, my bank, or my insurance company, or my farm credit system, we look and we say, what is it for and what are you offering as security? And Howard says, I am offering this