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And I do have an Attorney General's Opinion addressed to Senator Warner to be inserted. (Re: LB 829.) That's all that I have, Madam President. Thank you, Senator.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Madam President, I call the question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay, do we have sufficient seconds? We do. We'll now vote on the motion to cease debate. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays to cease debate, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have ceased debate. Senator Hall, would you please close.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President. A number of issues have been raised as to why we shouldn't use a sales tax on a limited number of professional services to fund this proposal, only as one package. Ladies and gentlemen, the argument has been made that we're moving too fast. We spent two full days on General File. The issue has been before us since February this year. Various proposals are still coming to the body at four-fifteen this afternoon. I'm in no hurry. If this amendment doesn't get adopted, I guarantee you we won't be in a hurry. It's no problem. We'll continue to sit here. We'll be back on the amendment as it was with the occupation tax and we'll work right through. That's fine. I also heard folks talk about exemptions and how exemptions are out there and we're not looking at the whole problem. No, we're not looking at the whole overall tax problem. I'm not under a gun, we're under a gun, ladies and gentlemen. You have two options. You fill the hole, you raise the revenue, send it back to the locals or you do nothing. You're getting closer and closer to doing nothing. Remember that. We want to look at the clock. It's eight-fifteen on a Wednesday. We ought to do away with that clock, Mr. Clerk, but anyway, you know, what group of people do we pick out? We don't like any of these groups. We don't like this group, we don't like that group, we don't like this proposal, we don't like that proposal. Senator Wickersham says the issue is too vague. Gross receipts, gross receipts is gross