

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Debate has ceased. I'll recognize Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President and members of the Legislature, we did adopt the amendment the other day for the requirement of once every decade reviewing the exemptions of tangible personal property. My opinion when we did that, will in fact cause, once every decade, a review of the total tax policies for the simple reason that you cannot take a major portion and not also have an impact upon the balance, so I think we're going to see that in any event. What this provision will do, and as I understood the amendment that was just before, as I understood, it amended the motion that I had offered which that 30 vote requirement would have only been there once every 10 years, on renewing them, and I'll stand to be corrected if I'm in error, but I believe the amendment was directed to that section of the bill. So we're really dealing with 25 votes most of the time in between. It would seem to me, and if I'm in error I'll stand to be, willing to be corrected, but I believe I'm not. What I'm talking about is protection in between those 10-year intervals as new exemptions are offered, new taxes are proposed, new spending is proposed, that the public knows that there takes a super majority of the Legislature to be done twice in the case of a Governor veto. And as a practical matter, I don't think there is that much of a problem because historically 30 votes or more have been cast, three-fifths or more have been cast. It's a rare exception it hasn't happened. But it offers some level of protection that I don't believe the other proposal did. I believe it only functioned once every 10 years. This will be ongoing. We will not see expansion in between that review once every decade and I think it makes a much stronger protection and a complete protection, a more complete protection than would have been true of the other choice.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. We'll now vote on the motion to return to Select File. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, I'll ask for a call of the house and a roll call vote, constitutional amendment...excuse me. I'll ask for a roll call and a call of the house. Get it out yet.