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we will accept call-in votes on the motion to call the question.

CLERK: Senator Wickersham voting yes. Senator Rod Johnson voting yes. Senator Will voting yes. Senator Labedz voting yes.

PRESIDENT MOUL: We're accepting call-in votes on the motion to cease debate.

CLERK: Senator Wesely voting yes.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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

PRESIDENT MOUL: We have ceased debate, and I'll recognize Senator Crosby for closing.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President and colleagues. I have listened to all of this debate and one thing I would like to call to all the lawyers' attention in here, Senator Abboud said I'm harassing the bill, remember the tort reform bill, how many amendments were hung on that by either side? So please don't talk to me about harassing a bill. I did not feel at the beginning that I was harassing this bill. I'm trying to point up to you that we are targeting one group of people, mainly teachers, and I am proteacher. You all know that. And even though you say, well, it doesn't include the teachers that are there now, it's just the teachers that are coming in and Senator Abboud mentioned bus drivers, this is a mandate about teachers and school employees. I don't believe it really mentions bus drivers. There is no real mechanism in place in this state for the Patrol to check fingerprints back and forth from other states or whatever, and I would hope that each one of you would look at the fiscal note. They say it's not a lot of money. Some of it's cash. Some of it's General Funds. I voted against a bill the other day just because of the money and it wasn't all that much money, comparatively speaking, but right now we don't have a lot of money to start some new program like this. Senator Hall brought up a problem that he might be involved in right now and I thank Tim for that because is one offense going to worry you or concern a school board for when some fine teacher comes in that they want to hire? So there's...there's just so many things that I think are in this bill that could cause a lot of problems all along the way. The other thing,