

you know amazingly that vote doesn't stay the same. On most votes that pass maybe 45 to nothing in here, and it comes down, if it's on an appropriation or budgetary item, and it comes down to an override, it's very difficult sometimes to get that override, it's very difficult. And why is because the vote changes from the veto. The vote now is are we going...there's some principle at stake here, are we going to do this. Sometimes it breaks down to party lines, they want to protect the Governor. Sometimes it comes down to other different battle lines that are drawn on overrides or what have you. It's not necessarily the same. And I don't look at it as a major difficulty compared to what we've got to have a 30-30 combination, that doesn't bother me. Most of my comments I wanted to make were actually on the bill. I guess I'll try to keep it to the amendment Senator Beutler proposes. I don't mind the amendment, particularly, if it's agreed to that, who wouldn't change my position and what I'm going to do in the final analysis. I'm just not sure it's a necessary thing that we have to do at this particular point. And I'm not sure that the concern that Senator Beutler has is that legitimate of a concern.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: In regards to what might happen, if we agree with the amendment, if there's other people that may fall off, because of that, I don't know if I'm willing to take that risk right now. And 30 votes on an override is still sometimes difficult to get, sometimes not, but you still need to have 30 votes to do that, and I think that's adequate at this particular time. And I guess I would oppose the Beutler amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Schimek, did you wish to address the Beutler amendment? Senator Moore, the Beutler amendment? You just...I got to go down the list here, Senator Schmit. Senator Chambers, did you wish to address the Beutler amendment? Senator Kristensen, the Beutler amendment. Senator Hefner, on the Beutler amendment. Senator Schmit, you are next.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I just mostly want to speak, I guess, because I'm almost speechless. And I would have to say that I would oppose Senator Beutler's amendment because of the fact that Senator Beutler, he just outlined everything for us. He said very frankly those of you who