5-4 (sic). Okay.

(Exhibit No. 55 marked and admitted)

SEN. DUNCAN: Members, there were a number of people that signed up to testify but who did not come when called to do so, either because they left or couldn't be here. We will enter their names in the record and record the position as indicated on their card.

We also have a number of cards that -- quite a number of cards of people who have registered a position on the bill but do not wish to testify, and those will be made a part of the record as well.

Members, I think one thing I want to maybe -- it might be a good idea for us to set aside the decorum rule a little bit and clap for those witnesses who stayed here and listened to our testimony. I think that was --

(Applause)

SEN. DUNCAN: Members, the Chair will -- there being no other witnesses to come before the Committee, the Chair will close public testimony.

Members, we'll stand at ease for a few minutes. The court reporter has been going for a couple of hours, and I would -- we'll be back in -- we'll go back in session at 9:15 -- or I'm sorry.
Excuse me. It's been a long day. The Senate will stand at ease until 9:15.

Sen. Deuell, for what purpose?

SEN. DEUELL: Mr. President, before we come back and we address the vote, I just wanted to say how proud I am of the Members of the Texas Senate. We have debated a very, very sensitive issue that has votes strong sides -- strong feelings on both sides, and I just wanted to express my appreciation to the Members and to the public that was here. I think that this was an example of how democracy in this country is supposed to work.

SEN. DUNCAN: Thank you, Senator. I agree.

Members, we'll stand at ease. Let's make it -- let's make it -- hang on a minute. I'm sorry.

Sen. Zaffirini?

SEN. ZAFFIRINI: I'm glad that Sen. Deuell is happy because today is his birthday. We should all join in wishing him a very happy birthday.

(Applause)

SEN. DUNCAN: Members, we've been taking a ten-minute break. Instead of 15, let's just go and
stand at ease until 9:10.

SEN. PATRICK: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman?

SEN. DUNCAN: Sen. Patrick?

SEN. PATRICK: I just wanted to thank

the staff from our Sergeant-at-Arms to our messenger.

I know -- I think Courtney just left. She was here

from six o'clock last night as our messenger until

seven this morning, and all the staff members. I know

we're still continuing, but I want to thank everyone

who stayed here throughout the night.

SEN. DUNCAN: Thank you. Stand at ease

until 9:10 a.m.

(Recess: 9:00 a.m. to 9:12 a.m.)

SEN. DUNCAN: The Committee of the Whole

will come back to order. Members, if you could take

your seats?

Sen. Fraser, you're recognized for a

motion. He isn't here. Sen. Fraser, you're

recognized for a motion.

SEN. FRASER: And if you don't mind, I'm

waiting for all the Senators that came in, that stayed

here all night.

Members, I -- it was a pretty amazing

night, and it makes me remember why I'm so proud to be
a member of this body. I appreciate so much the -- I appreciate so much everyone, the way they conducted themselves. Thank you. Thank you to the staff. Thank you for the witnesses. We appreciate it.

I would now move to report Senate Bill 362 to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

SEN. DUNCAN: Sen. Fraser moves that Senate Bill 362 be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed.

The clerk -- the secretary will call the roll.

ROLL CALL NO. 3

SECRETARY SPAW: Averitt?
SEN. AVERITT: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Carona?
SEN. CARONA: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Davis?
SEN. DAVIS: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Deuell?
SEN. DEUELL: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Duncan?
SEN. DUNCAN: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Ellis?
SEN. ELLIS: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Eltife?
SEN. ELTIFE: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Estes?
SEN. ESTES: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Fraser?
SEN. FRASER: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Gallegos?
SEN. GALLEGOS: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Harris?
SEN. HARRIS: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Hegar?
SEN. HEGAR: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Hinojosa?
SEN. HINOJOSA: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Huffman?
SEN. HUFFMAN: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Jackson?
SEN. JACKSON: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Lucio?
SEN. LUCIO: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Nelson?
SEN. NELSON: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Nichols?
SEN. NICHOLS: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Ogden?
SEN. OGDEN: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Patrick?
SEN. PATRICK: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Seliger?
SEN. SELIGER: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Shapiro?
SEN. SHAPIRO: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Shapleigh?
SEN. SHAPLEIGH: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Uresti?
SEN. URESTI: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Van de Putte?
SEN. VAN de PUTTE: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Watson?
SEN. WATSON: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Wentworth?
SEN. WENTWORTH: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: West?
SEN. WEST: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Whitmire?
SEN. WHITMIRE: No.
SECRETARY SPAW: Williams?
SEN. WILLIAMS: (Indicated "aye" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Zaffirini?
SEN. ZAFFIRINI: (Indicated "nay" vote)
SECRETARY SPAW: Mr. President?

SEN. DUNCAN: (Indicated "aye" vote)

SECRETARY SPAW: That was the vote, 20 to 12; 20 "ayes" and 12 "nays".

SEN. DUNCAN: There being 20 "ayes" and 12 "nos", Senate Bill 362 will be reported to the full Senate with the recommendation it do pass and be printed.

Sen. Whitmire, for what purpose?

SEN. WHITMIRE: I was going to recognize this body for its outstanding work. I've been here 36 years, 26 in the Senate. I've seen filibusters go all night long and Members just kind of scatter and are on call, but I have never -- and would be surprised if anyone, Patsy, can recall the body starting one day, going all night, all Members present, conducting themselves like ladies and gentlemen. So I'm just real proud, Troy and Lieutenant Governor, each and every one of you. Our two freshmen made outstanding contributions.

And I just really stood up -- really stood up to recognize Sen. Duncan, a very tough job, it was very fair, and we're really proud of you as a Member of the Senate.

(Applause)
SEN. DUNCAN: Thank you.

SEN. DEUELL: Mr. President?

SEN. DUNCAN: Sen. Deuell?

SEN. DEUELL: A parliamentary inquiry.

The vote was 20 to 12. I understand that the Lieutenant Governor takes your seat. Does that exclude you from voting? Have we acted properly in that regard?

SEN. DUNCAN: Yes, Senator.

SEN. DEUELL: I understand there's 31 with that vote, but --

SEN. DUNCAN: The Chair and the President are entitled to vote --

SEN. DEUELL: Okay.

SEN. DUNCAN: -- in the Committee of the Whole.

SEN. DEUELL: I just wanted to clarify that.

SEN. DUNCAN: Yes, sir. Thank you.

All right, Members, the Chair happily recognizes Sen. Wentworth for a motion.

SEN. WHITMIRE: Mr. President, I move the Committee of the Whole Senate rise and report.

SEN. DUNCAN: Members, you've heard the motion. Is there any objection?
(No response)

SEN. DUNCAN: There is no objection.

The Senate will rise and report.

(Proceedings concluded for purposes of this record at 9:18 a.m.)
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