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The Chairman. We are in executive session: the record will show that. All those in favor of the amendment, say "aye". (A chorus of "ayes") The Chairman. Opposed, "no". No. Senator Long. The Chairman. The amendment passes. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight. All right. If we can just wait five minutes -- we have got a ninth in the cloakroom and two on their way--and we can report this bill out. Thank you for coming, Malcolm.

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I appreciate it.

Senator Moynihan. Mr. Chairman, may I just expressly thank the committee for approving this amendment? It is something that the Subcommittee on Social Security is concerned about. And while I very much understand my friend, our ranking member, his concerns, the larger concern that we are involved with is that people know the Social Security Trust Fund is theirs and it is not used for anything else.

The Chairman. Well of all the people that ought to be grateful of this amendment, the Secretary of the Treasury ought to be the most grateful I would think. As I recall, he is personally liable if he makes a mistake.

Senator Moynihan. Not everybody gets a chance to owe \$25 billion.

I think even in Andrew Melon's time he The Chairman.

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1 might not have been able to cover it. 2 (Pause) 3 4 Susan, you have heard the way they call The Chairman. 5 the roll on the floor of the Senate. Yes, sir. Ms. Taylor. 6 7 The Chairman. Well if we were to start to call the roll now, and you were to be reasonably painstaking at it, I think 8 9 we can accommodate our problem. And so I would ask that the Clerk call the roll on reporting the debt ceiling increase. 10 Senator Moynihan. As amended. 11 The Chairman. As amended by the Moynihan amendment, of 12 course. Call the members here first. 13 14 The Clerk. Mr. Wallop? Senator Wallop. Aye. 15 The Clerk. Mr. Durenberger? 16 17 The Clerk. Mr. Grassley? 18 Senator Grassley. 19 The Clerk. Mr'. Long? Senator Long. 20 Aye. The Clerk. Mr. Bentsen? 21 22 Senator Bentsen. Aye. 23 The Clerk. Mr. Moynihan? Senator Moynihan. 24 Aye. The Clerk.

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Mr. Baucus?

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