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payments are based on the number of weeks that AMA has determined the disability, and we, as the material I handed out shows, we reduced from the 115 weeks to 85 weeks and the 75 weeks we reduced to 55 weeks, 60 weeks to 45 weeks, 280 weeks to 225 weeks, 310 weeks to 265 weeks, 145 weeks to 150 weeks, and 210 weeks to 215 for the various losses of limbs. I handed out a chart to show, as far as the weekly...average weekly wage that is for the present... at the present time for the State of Nebraska, and two-thirds of that is the way it's figured times the number of weeks, and that shows you the change with the present law to the way the bill is amended. If you have your hand-out material, that will show you what the amounts are, and it shows those that were weren't changed. If there are any questions, I will try to answer them.

SENATOR NICHOL: We are voting on the amendments. All those in favor vote aye.

SENATOR MARESH: I move that these Committee amendments be adopted.

SENATOR NICHOL: Okay, all those in favor vote green. Opposed red. Have you all voted? Please vote. Have you all voted? Have you all voted?

CLERK: Senator Nichol voting aye.

SENATOR NICHOL: Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of the Committee amendments.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Clerk, do you have a motion on the desk?

CLERK: Yes sir, I have two. A motion by Senator Hefner and one by Senator Brennan. Senator Brennan's motion as introducer is on Page 5, line 14 and 19, after the word "eyes" insert "or total loss of hearing in both ears", and strike all the new language. That's offered by Senator Brennan.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Brennan.

SENATOR BRENNAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, what I should do...if Mr. Hefner, who has a kill motion on this bill would care to get up and explain this bill, and why he's going to kill it?