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LB 902, 825

It is like you have in any other area in the economy where you have competition to provide services or products. You sit down and negotiate. You come up with a price and then you sign a contract. Well, the law in our state was uncertain whether this was possible or not and what we basically are doing to 902 is removing any legal barriers and allowing this to happen. We are not mandating it. We are not forcing it but we are allowing it to occur. And right now this bill does have support from a broad section of health providers, the health insurance industry and a number of other consumer groups in the State of Nebraska. I would ask your support for the legislation and would be happy to answer your questions.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the advancement of the bill. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The bill is advanced. We move on to LB 825.

CLERK: Mr. President, 825 was considered last Friday by the Legislature. It was introduced by Senators Remmers, DeCamp, Goll and many of the other members. (Read title.) The bill was referred to the Public Works Committee. There are Public Works Committee amendments pending, Mr. President. They were considered by the Legislature the other day. I have pending several amendments to the committee amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, the committee amendments.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, we just ran out of time whenever it was Friday so I guess we can go ahead and vote on the committee amendments. We discussed them and then we didn't get to vote.

SPEAKER NICHOL: We have several amendments to the committee amendments.