

SPEAKER BAACK: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Wehrbein would move to amend with AM2249, Mr. President. (See page 2298 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members, I am passing out the amendment and also a brief explanation of what I intend to do. When we first went through LB 835 about ten days ago I was caught short on a recommendation to take out the Good Samaritan Home check that came in from Syracuse, Nebraska. It simply said in the bill that it delete lines 19 to 22, I believe it was. Not recognizing what that actually did until later, I found out that it was a bill that Syracuse Good Samaritan Center in Syracuse had submitted for a claim in order for reimbursement for a \$13,485.56 check under the miscellaneous claims. I am passing out the testimony that Mr. Tom Syverson gave at the hearing on this matter, and I just simply want to raise the issue again for your consideration. What happened, it was a check that was either lost or something going back to 1979, which, admittedly, is a long time ago. What happened is there is no record of that check being cashed. Whether it was lost in the mail, whether it was not received, or what, there is no explanation for it, but it was brought to their attention here about two years ago, and they submitted that to the state for their consideration. And the...as it went through the format of...the process, I should say, it was accepted that this was a valid claim. This check had not been paid. There is every record that the check had been issued but was not cashed. It simply was a matter of fact that the Good Samaritan Home in Nebraska City, or in Syracuse did not get it. So I am bringing this to your attention at this point. I will let you read the testimony given at the hearing, which I assume should have by now. I would simply ask for your consideration of this matter of amount of \$13,485.56. I do apologize for the fact that I did not catch it on first reading, General File. I had no reason to believe at that point that the check would be denied. At the hearing there apparently had been no questions. Mr. Syverson came to my office and said he had not had any questions, he had no reason to believe that it would be opposed, especially after the Claims Board had approved it and recommending approval. And so I simply bring this to your attention and ask for your consideration on this. It is a check that was lost, it was a