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CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the advancement of LB 1379A to E & R for engrossing.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. The question is the advancement of LB 1379A. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed nay. The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1427. Senator Smith, I have Enrollment and Review amendments, first of all. (AM7238, Legislative Journal page 112.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of E & R amendments to LB 1427.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Question is the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 1427. Those in favor say aye. Those opposed nay. The amendments are agreed to.

CLERK: Senator Beutler, AM2954, Senator. (AM2954, Legislative Journal page 1194.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, recognized to open.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Members of the Legislature, this is an amendment that addresses itself to what we used to call the Excellence in Health Care Fund. I've forgotten what exactly we've changed its name to now, but essentially we're talking about the grant program that will effectively have a great deal of money being added to it year, after year, after year, to the point that it will soon, I think we all agree, be beyond the monetary financial...it will be beyond a grant program. It will be way too large to be a grant program. And I know that Senator Jensen is in the process, we thought maybe this year but hopefully next year, of taking a look at how that's going to be or might be restructured, because it definitely needs to be