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forward the name and address of the victim to the Department of Corrections and Health and Human Services, as well as the Board of Parole. Under the section of the bill requiring the county attorney to give actual notice to the victims of the specifics of the relevant case, the committee amendment adds to the list of specifics the crimes the defendant is charged with, the amount of the defendant's bond, and the right to be notified if there is a plea bargain or plea offer. LB 847 requires that upon filing of an appeal by the defendant, the Attorney General shall notify the victim of specified rights. The committee amendment adds that the county attorney, upon whom notice of such appeal was served, shall notify the Attorney General of the name and the last known address of the victim in such case. Mr. Speaker, that constitutes the opening on the committee amendment. I would urge the adoption of the committee amendment and the advancement of the bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the committee amendment? Seeing none, Senator Brashear is recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Committee amendments are adopted.

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

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We're now debating advancement of the bill. Senator Brashear, seeing no further debate, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, thank you. Again, I'd like to thank Senator Engel for prioritizing the bill. Also, I want to acknowledge further that in drafting the bill we proceeded utilizing the provisions of the Nebraska Constitution and what we will do between now and Select File is to further refine those provisions because we do have a problem with one phrase...piece of phraseology that was used in the