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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. Speaker, to be very brief, this is an amendment that simply changes the source of funding for the A bill on LB 1033A, and if you remember, that goes to Health and Human Services. It's for an enforcement function effective January 1 of next year; changes the funding for that, a person, from the General Fund to Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund. So it removes any General Fund impact.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on the motion to return? Seeing none, Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to close. He waives that closing. The question before the body is to return LB 1033A for specific amendment. All in favor vote aye...oh, Senator Chambers, excuse me. Debate.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, what we're doing now is something that I'm not going to interfere with, but while I have the floor, that vote on Senator Aguilar's bill was the stupidest vote I've seen. Obviously, you all have not read the bill. It's in atrocious condition. It cannot function, but I'm going to do the dirty work, as I always have to do, and I'm going to clean up the mess that the Legislature made and I will stop that bill. Because you all are so dumb...I take that back. (Laugh) You all are so willing to behave as though you are dumb that you would vote cloture on Final Reading. So I got to make sure it doesn't get read on Final Reading, and the only way I can do that is to deal with you--all's bills who voted for cloture and make you vote cloture, and that will pass the time so that bill won't get read. To be forewarned is to be forearmed. I am armed. I have warned be forearmed. That's all I have to say on this matter. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The question is, shall we return to Select File for specific amendment? All in favor say aye. Oh, excuse me, that is a machine vote. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We're back to Select File. Mr. Clerk.