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all of which are concerned very much about the end of discrimination in these areas are in support of the bill. I would ask for your support as well.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, Madam President, and members of the body, I really...I don't think I could add a thing to what Senator Wesely said. He gave a very clear and concise explanation of the bill and the kind of support that it has. I would just encourage advancement. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Is there anyone else who wishes to speak to this bill? Seeing none, Senator Wesely waives closing. We will proceed to vote on the motion to advance LB 825. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of 825.

PRESIDENT MOUL: LB 825 is advanced. We will proceed with Item 6 on the agenda, a motion.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Chambers would move to place LB 327 on General File pursuant to Rule 3, Section 19(b). Senator Chambers filed his motion on April 15. The motion is now before the Legislature.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Madam President and members of the Legislature, LB 327 is a bill which would abolish the death penalty and replace it with a punishment of life without possibility of parole. Before I go into the bill so you will know precisely what it does, I want to call your attention to a three-page handout that I had placed on your desk and the top article comes from the San Francisco Chronicle and it explains how the life without parole provision has worked in California. In the first paragraph, it mentions how during the past 25 years nobody under this sentence has been released from prison. That sentence does not mean...that paragraph does not mean that people sentenced under life without parole provision got out in 25 years, it means that in the past 25 years nobody has gotten out. And if you read down into the article, you will see an