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closing, Senator Lindsay?

SENATOR LINDSAY: No.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Closing is waived. We'll vote on the Lindsay amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Lindsay's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted. Before we proceed, I would like to introduce another special guest of the Legislature today. Seated under the north balcony is Glenn Pollack, who is a guest of Senator Lynch. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the Chambers. Thank you. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Lindsay would move to amend. Senator, I have AM2594 in front of me, page 563 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President. Okay. This amendment...I guess I'd like to preface this first by...by pointing out that I'm not trying to delay the bill, I'm not...I don't know that I've got a...you know, a legitimate chance of trying to beat it. I tried that first round. But this bill, those of you who have gone through it carefully, it's a very, very broad bill, and it's got some very broad language and, frankly, I think would be the broadest living will statute in the country. It does an awful lot, and I don't think I can stop the train, but hopefully I can get some of the cargo off it. And that's all I'm trying to do right now. So, while it may seem...and I'm trying to do it fairly as far as getting each issue up before you, to allow you to make that policy choice. So, while I'm not trying to take up a lot of time on the floor, I've tried to refrain myself from speaking to the amendments, other than the open and close, so that is the intent of what I'm doing. This bill...this amendment, this particular amendment does make another...you have another policy choice, and that is that right now the bill does not allow for the conscience clause, does not allow for a physician to follow his or her conscience. If an individual physician, or health care provider, if the hospital has a policy, if it would violate that physician or health care providers conscience to assist in