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the Landis amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Landis's and Lindsay's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted. Before we proceed I'd like to introduce another special guest of the Legislature this morning. Seated under the north balcony is Mrs. Pat Hartman of Grand Island. She is a guest today of Senator Cudaback. Would you please rise and be recognized. Welcome to the chambers. Thank you. Mr. Clerk, additional amendments.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Lindsay would move to amend. Senator, this is an amendment that reads on page 6, line 6, strike the period and insert "the attending physician has notified a member of the declarant's immediate family or guardian, if any, of his or her diagnosis and of the intent to invoke the patient's declaration."

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President. I believe this will be the last amendment and it's actually a redone of one that we debated earlier this morning. This morning I asked...I got shut out because I asked that we vote down an amendment because it hadn't been drafted the way I'd represented that it had been drafted. It is being passed out to you now. It has been redrafted to say what we had talked about and that is simply that you notify the family before the living will would actually be used. It's taken out...there were a couple of provisions in there that had not been taken out earlier this morning and that is the question of I think Senator Robinson raised about having a second opinion.. That has not been included in this amendment, now it's been stripped out of that. A second issue, I think Senator Robak raised that has also been stripped out of there. This is purely down to what I had represented it was and that is that before a living will would kick into effect the attending physician simply notifies a member of the declarant's immediate family. You don't hunt down everybody, you notify a member if a person is alive. I would urge that the amendment be adopted.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Robak, followed by Senator Landis. Senator Robak.