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PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay, Mr. Clerk, the next amendment.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Landis would move to amend.  
(See FA248 on page 599 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Lindsay has offered a few stylistic changes which are very appropriate and I am glad he put them in. First, after each of those two lines, we have added the word optional, because this certainly is an optional provision. If people do not want to address these or want to leave them out, they should be optional. Nobody should feel compelled to fill a form out on this score if they don't want to. And, lastly, he makes the distinction between artificially administered hydration and nutrition, which is an appropriate distinction, and all other forms. And with those alterations, I think the amendment improves in its quality. I would urge its adoption.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Madam President, members, I rise at this point in support of the Landis amendment. As Senator Landis indicated, the intent of the legislation is to make it an easy to use form for those who...an easily accessible form for those who seek to appoint a person to make health care decisions on their behalf. This amendment clears up one area. I have no objection to the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Does anyone else wish to speak to this amendment? Seeing none, we will now vote on the Landis amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted on the Landis amendment? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The Landis amendment is adopted. Before we proceed, I'd like to direct the senators' attention to the area under the south balcony. Special guests of Senator Abboud today are his parents, Fred and Bonny Abboud, of Omaha, and also Bob and Donna Mancuso. Bob serves as Chairman of the Omaha Planning Board, and they are also from Omaha. Welcome to the Legislature. Thank you. Further amendments, Mr. Clerk?