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ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Withem's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Withem amendment is adopted. Next amendment.

ASSISTANT CLERK: The next amendment I have is from Senator Withem. This is AM0596, Senator. (Amendment appears on page 843-44 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Madam Chairman, members of the body, again, I am a courier on this amendment. This is not my product. What it does is it goes to the issue Senator Hall brought to our attention last night and last night I think when he called our attention to the intent language, most of us that read this agreed with him in principle that the language was probably not drafted exactly the way we would like to see it in a piece of legislation, but we had a disagreement last night as whether we should strike it entirely or not. Our...the conclusion was that we should replace it with something. It's my understanding that, and this is where my courier part comes in, it's my understanding that this afternoon a number of people including Senator Hall, I believe Senator Wickersham might have been present, my counsel, Marsha Babcock, somebody from the Omaha Chamber of Commerce wrote language that I think isn't going to make Senator Wickersham love the bill or Senator Hall love the bill necessarily or make the people that drafted the original language feel guilty and sorry that they drafted it, but this might be better language to put in a public document such as LB 830. It is on your desk, Amendment 0596. It's fairly short. The Legislature finds and declares the following facts and purposes of the Nebraska Redevelopment Act: It lists five items. You can read those. I don't know as I'm the one that should respond to questions on this, but if you would like me to, I certainly can and with that I would urge you to read this and urge you to adopt it and if, Senator Hall, I see your light is on, if you would like to use the remainder of my time, feel free to do so.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: I'm sorry.