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SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Maurstad passes. Senator Kristensen, on the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I would like to yield my time to Senator Beutler, please.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Clerk, I would like unanimous consent to substitute for the current amendment the other hand-written amendment which was identified to the Assistant Clerk a moment ago.

SENATOR CROSBY: Any objections to the substitution? If not, so ordered.

CLERK: Senator Beutler would move to amend the committee amendments by striking amendment number 1. (FA129 appears on page 1529 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Clerk, members of the Legislature, we started out with some confusion on this amendment because it was not altogether clear whether the opt-out provision had been deleted by the original Kristensen amendment or not, and in order to clear up that confusion we are now substituting this amendment which will clearly delete the opt-out provision as intended originally and that's all that would happen. And then I will file a new amendment once this is in place so that we have it the way Senator Kristensen, I think, intended. Senator Kristensen, if there is more to add, I would yield to you my time.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President. Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Beutler, obviously, through his amendment, found a flaw in the prior amendment. He is deserving of credit and thanks. I offer you that. With the adoption of this substitute amendment, it will put the bill in the proper form that we intended it to be and then Senator Butler's amendments will fit in. And, with that, I don't believe this is a serious substantive change. This is a clarification and I would urge for the adoption of it so we can discuss the bill and everybody would be on the same page. Thank you.