

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Dierks. Senator Dierks. Is anyone prepared to carry the amendment for Senator Dierks? We will move on. Next amendment.

CLERK: The next amendment, Madam President, Senator Hall would move to amend. Senator, AM1480. (The Hall amendment appears on page 1623 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Hall to open on his amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, and members. Mr. Clerk, what page is that? Is it...

CLERK: It's not printed, Senator.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you.

CLERK: It's the one, it is the intent of the Legislature to ensure. I can run copies if you would like.

SENATOR HALL: Madam President, I apologize. I didn't expect for this amendment to be up because I thought the Dierks amendment was going to take a little time. The amendment does this. and I thought I had asked that it be printed. It's my fault, because I know I had copies run and they're here on the desk and I will look for them. But it reads that...it inserts the following new section, and here's what it does. It says that it is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that Nebraskans have access to quality affordable family planning and health screening services. It is the intent of the Legislature that \$425,000 be appropriated to the Department of Health for the purpose of establishing, expanding, and enhancing family planning services. The purpose behind the amendment is to say that if the intent or, at least, one of the intent rationale for the introduction of LB 455 is to reduce costs, reduce the dependency on general assistance, ADC, whatever the form or fashion of government assistance is, that one of the best ways to do that is to prevent individuals from finding themselves in that situation. And the four hundred and twenty-five dollar figure is a figure that is based on need, that it had been done through examination of where we are with regard to the state as a whole in terms of the needs that are out there. I do have copies of the amendment. They were actually filed in the folder