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LB 199

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Jensen...or, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Committee amendments, Mr. President, by Health and Human Services Committee. (See Standing Committee amendment, AM0294, on page 615 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Jensen, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. The committee amendments do just as Senator Wickersham described. It really installs or makes part of the bill a right of first refusal. For nursing homes that are within a 20-mile radius of this hospital, which would like to go to sometimes called a swing bed, but go to a bed for nursing care in an assisted living facility, they would then send a notice out to any nursing home that is within a 20-mile radius. They would have an opportunity to themselves apply for a grant and, if they did not, then the hospital could go ahead with this swing bed facility. It is explained in LB...or in AM0294, and that is all the committee amendment does. And I would move for its adoption.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Jensen waives closing. The question before us is the adoption of the committee amendments on LB 199. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Committee amendments are adopted. Discussion on the advancement of LB 199? Senator Wickersham, you're recognized to close. Senator Wickersham waives closing. Question before us is the advancement of LB 199. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 199.