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**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** Yeah, Senator Jensen, we are technically on Final.

**SENATOR JENSEN:** I'm sorry.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** I'm going to take that as a request to have all members check in to make sure they're present. Members, would you please check in, record your presence. Senator Lynch, Senator Preister, Senator Robak, please record your presence. Senator Robak, would you please report to the Chamber and record your presence. All members are present. The question before the body is, shall LB 148 be returned to Select File for specific amendment? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

**CLERK:** 31 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** LB 148 is returned to Select File for specific amendment. Senator Jensen, you're recognized to open on AM0530. (See page 817 of the Legislative Journal.)

**SENATOR JENSEN:** Thank you. I will not prolong it. I would just ask that you adopt the amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** Senator Wehrbein.

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** I will be very brief, Mr. President and members. I, too, want to be sure that we get...we understand and, as Senator Jensen said, I simply wanted to say a note of what Senator Beutler was saying. I normally would agree everything with what he said about that this is a trust fund and it's a legitimate use, but I'd say on the other hand this is not General Fund money at this point, is money that has come to us and literally out of the skies. It may well go back into the skies and we won't have it, and I think we ought to take care that we use what comes out of this fits in with what we debated last year; that it will be available there, with recognizing the fact that it can go away just as quickly as it came. It would be I think in our best interest to preserve that opus so that it is there to use that money that's thrown off as we originally