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SENATOR CHAMBERS: So we all lose, if we take a category of persons and deprive them of certain opportunities, just because they belong to a certain gender, race, religion or whatever. Would you agree with that?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I do.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And I want people to know we're not...we're not performing nuptials. (Laughter)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion? Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I had a conversation with a couple of acquaintances and friends who happen to be judges, and I asked them, what would be the best thing that we could do for the judiciary, other than the technical quality of adding resources and the like, and without variation they said, we need clarity on the appeal process. This bill...this amendment does that, it is overdue, and I'm delighted it's here. It will make everybody in the judicial process who are either litigants or clients or judges understand clearly what the rules are. And we need clear rules, so this is...this is to the good. And I'm delighted to have a chance to support it.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Brashear, yours is the last light. Would you like to close on the amendment or speak?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I'll close on the amendment, Mr. President, by simply...you've heard all the reasons. I'm not going to further encumber the record. I appreciate the support. I think this is for the...very definitely, I know it's for the common good, I urge the adoption of the amendment and the advancement of the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brashear. The question before us is the adoption of AM1118 to LB 43. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.