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without more discussion. So at this point, I think that I will pull the amendment and refile it later. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is withdrawn. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment, Senator Beutler, AM1330.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, you're recognized to open on your amendment to LB 637.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, I would ask permission to substitute AM1347 for AM1330. (See pages 1529-1530 of the Legislative Journal.)

CLERK: Would you repeat the number again, Senator.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes, 1347.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: If there is no objection, the amendment is substituted. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, I substituted amendment merely because it added a technical feature that I thought was necessary. But the basic amendment, itself, simply indicates that unless otherwise prohibited by law, there shall be a hiring preference given for positions created in the State Disbursement Unit for any employee of the clerks of the district courts who loses his or her position with a clerk of the district court due to the centralization of the collection and disbursement of support order payments pursuant to this bill. As you all are aware, some people in the clerks of the district court offices, it's anticipated that the work load would perhaps be cut somewhere in the neighborhood of a half for them. Some of those people will be losing their jobs, and this is simply a provision that would say that to the extent possible let's try to protect these people and give them some preference in the setting up of the new disbursement unit. Now, obviously, for many of them that won't be something they would want to do because it might require moving from one place in the state to another, but