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opposed nay. At the same time. Thank you. The motion is carried. Next bill.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, on LB 559, I do have E & R amendments. (AM7115, Legislative Journal page 1420.)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of E & R amendments to LB 559.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: All those opposed say aye. All those in favor say aye. We'll get this right. (Laughter) I think I heard at least one aye. All those opposed say nay. The motion is carried. Thank you, Senator Smith. Anything further on the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have is from Senator Kristensen. Senator, I have AM1383 with a note to withdraw.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: That's correct. I'd ask to withdraw.

ASSISTANT CLERK: In that case, Mr. President, I have AM1416. (Legislative Journal page 1620.)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Kristensen, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This amendment as Senator Jensen and I, with a few corrections, to give you some review, this is the telehealth for Medicaid provision. If you remember the debate, telehealth is that procedure by which people will use something other than a face-to-face contact for consultation, treatment, and then would be reimbursed similar to if they had done a face-to-face consultation or procedure. We've done with this amendment a couple of small changes and I want to outline them for you. There is not major change here and there's also a little bit of legislative history that I want to put in for the Health and Human Services Agency at this point in time. The first one is we changed the name because there is an expected expansion