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really thought that I would have to be faced with it, and that's the circumstance that any one of us could be put in. We never know when our time or a loved one's time may end, and having known that three organs were directly transplanted that very next day from my sister's death at least made the burden of her early death a little bit easier and the acceptance of that, although still not complete, at least a little bit easier. So I think the program is a good one. There is much sensitivity to the family and to how the program operates. It is a coalition of many health organizations, and I think they do an exceptional job, and I believe that it could do much more good for more of the people that are currently waiting for those organs to be donated. Although I don't know the families, the three families, I know the profiles of those three families. And the man and two women who received my sister's organs were very close in age and physical condition to her and I know that, although my sister is now dead, there are three people living as a result of her generosity. And that was certainly in fitting with...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...her character but it's also in fitting...in keeping with a program that I think merits our support here today on this bill, and the amendment that Senator Bromm has proposed just makes it a little bit easier to do mechanically and cost effectively, and I support that, and I support the bill. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Preister. Further discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Bromm, you're recognized to close. Senator Bromm waives closing. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 147. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Voting on the committee amendments. Mr. Clerk, please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The committee amendments are adopted. Discussion on the advancement of LB 147? Senator Thompson, you're recognized to close.