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SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you, Senator Jensen. I'd yield back my time, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Jensen, there are no further lights on. Did you wish to close on advancement of LB 1427?

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. I would just simply ask for adoption. Like I said, this is one of the few programs that has worked exactly according to the way it was planned. We have a number of units across the state now that are providing citizens with assisted living at a lesser dollar amount than they were before this program came into effect. We've received more dollars than we ever thought that we would. I think it's only proper that we at this time proceed with this third round. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. The question before the body is the advancement of LB 1427 to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 1427.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 1427 does advance. Mr. Clerk, next agenda item.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1448, a bill by the Business and Labor Committee. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on February 9 of this year, referred to the Business and Labor Committee, advanced to General File. I do have committee amendments pending, Mr. President. (AM2511, Legislative Journal page 777.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Chairperson of Business and Labor, Senator Vrtiska, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the body. LB 1448 is the state claim bill which we annually take up. It provides legislative approval of certain claims that