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The question before the body is, shall LB 1067 be advanced to E & R Initial? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: LB 1067 does advance to E & R Initial. Mr. Clerk, next item.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 1167 was introduced by Senator Thompson and others. (Read title.) The bill was read for the first time on January 10, referred to the Health and Human Services Committee. That committee reports the bill to General File with committee amendments. (AM2678, Legislative Journal page 985.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Thompson, to open on LB 1167.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the body. This bill, once it's amended, will be a combination of three bills, actually four now that I think about it, but three bills that were dealing with detention, and another bill that's more of a way to improve some grant programs at the Crime Commission. And on the orange sheet in front of you, I just want to make a correction. It's AM2678, which is what's described on the orange sheet. Part of the time we've spent on juvenile justice issues in the session this year has been working with those issues that impact the most serious and chronic offenders in the system and those offenders who end up in our state facilities. And a lot of us have spent time, and a lot of you, and I know the Appropriations Committee, in frustration knowing that those needs at that end of the system are so great, and what we can do to prevent kids from penetrating the system so deeply, what we can do earlier in the process, and what we can do to have a greater impact early in the process, and I refer to those bills as the deep end of the pool. So tonight we're in the shallow end to about four feet, and this is a collaborative effort among Senator Tyson, Senator Dwite Pedersen, and me, we all three had bills on detention, also the Nebraska County Officials Association, State Probation, and you also have a letter from Voices for Children that worked