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tax revenue constitute a discrimination against Nebraska retailers. This brings us into tax-paying equity, it seems to me, or at least is the only step available to us to achieve tax-paying equity, and that's what we need to have happen, so that our local retailers are treated as well as distant retailers. My only way to respond to Senator Engel and to Senator Smith's question, because I haven't been clear, is, the sales tax is a destination tax. It doesn't make a difference if you send...you know, if you're doing business in...by an Internet company that's located in Oregon or Florida or Colorado or Texas or anyplace else. Because it's not where you order the good from, it's where they ship the good to. And that's what determines whether you pay the tax. And so long as the destination is Nebraska, we should collect the tax. That's what creates the parity with our own local merchants. I ask for the advancement of LB 282.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the closing on the advancement of LB 282, E & R Initial, by Senator Landis. The question before the body is, shall LB 282 advance to E & R Initial? All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the advancement of LB 282. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 282.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion to advance was successful. Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: I do, Mr. President, thank you. Your Committee on Education reports LB 394 to General File with amendments. The Executive Board reports LR 1 and LR 7CA as indefinitely postponed. And Natural Resources Committee reports LB 142 to General File; LB 692, General File; LR 4CA, General File; LB 29, General File with amendments; LB 65, General File with amendments; and LB 141 and LB 360 as indefinitely postponed, those committee reports all signed by the respective Chairs. Your Committee on Enrollment and Review reports LB 34, LB 35, LB 93, LB 168, LB 358, LB 359 as correctly engrossed. That's all that I had, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal