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that all of the interested parties have come together, then I think we can have some assurance that the interests of everyone have been looked at, have been attended to. In this case, we're dealing with the interests of injured parties. We're dealing with justice and what's right and fair. We're dealing with what's right for doctors and hospitals and medical service providers with regard to the provision of insurance and malpractice insurance, and I think we have that all wrapped together in a package that I hope will be acceptable to you, and I urge your adoption of the amendment and the committee...the amendment to the amendment, the committee amendment, and the advancement of the bill, and would be prepared to answer, of course, any further questions which you have. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Aguilar. Is senator...excuse me.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members. I certainly have no intention of derailing this bill because I think there's some excellent things in there that I want to see advanced, but I would like to ask for a division of the question as far as LB 23 and LB 162 is concerned on this bill, just to see if there's anyone else in the body that has the same concerns I do.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you come forward, Senator Aguilar and Senator Brashear and Senator Don Pederson? The request was granted. It is determined it is divisible. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, there will be two components to the committee amendment. Section 1 will constitute one component, so that will be lines 3 through 24 on page 1, and lines 1 and 2 on page 2. The second component will be the remainder of the committee amendment, all of the remainder of the committee amendment, constituting Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. And if I understood you, Senator Brashear, you would like to take up the second component first, which is the balance of the amendment. (FA1315, Legislative Journal pages 1293-1298.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: You may open on that component, Senator Brashear.