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services which are defined for Medicaid purposes. I would urge this adoption, and then we will be treating the committee amendment in the two divisions, as determined by the Chair, and I'll speak to that further at that time. thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. We are currently on AM1355, which is an amendment to FA1315. All in favor of that amendment being adopted vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: AM1355 has been adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Well, Mr. President, we're now back to the committee amendments that consists of Sections 2 through 7 of the original committee amendment. (FA1315, Legislative Journal pages 1293-1298.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Brashear, to open on the amendments.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President and members of the body, thank you. In this division, we deal with all aspects of the bill, as I have already presented it to you and as it has already been summarized on the record, with the exception of increasing the cap from \$1,250,000 to \$1,750,000. That will be the sole issue in the second division. And so I would, with your permission, direct the debate to all of the other issues. We are dealing with the substance of Senator Don Pederson's bill, as it was originally constituted as LB 146; we are dealing with the substance in its entirety of Senator Brown's LB 123, pardon me, LB 162; and we are dealing with all portions of my LB 23, except that which would increase the cap. And I urge your continued support of the work of your Judiciary Committee. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Open for discussion on this portion of the question. Senator Don Pederson.