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amendments. Much of which I had been saying has applied to the committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Mr. Clerk, amendments to the committee amendments.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have a series of amendments to the committee amendments, the first by Senator Beutler, AM1600. (Legislative Journal page 1507.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, to open on AM1600 to AM1111.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I intend to withdraw this amendment, but it relates to a technical problem that had to do with whether we cut funds out of MIRF or whether we cut funds out of state aid to municipalities, and we need to work out some different emphasis as between Omaha and Lincoln and other municipalities, and it is being worked out. However, there are some technical problems that need to be dealt with. I think Senator Mines apparently is interested in this problem too because he has an amendment coming along that deals with that. And what we're going to try to do is have a meeting on Friday and get all the parties together and come back on Select File with something that satisfies the city of Omaha and the rest of the municipalities, but still tries to work out, without any more money or without prejudicing other municipalities, tries to work out the bonding problem that the city of Lincoln has identified. So, rather than have an extended discussion at this point, I think this can be worked out off the floor because it's not a do or die thing for the city of Lincoln or for anybody, I hope. It involves basically some minor additional restrictions that are in the MIRF funds that are not in state aid to municipalities funds, and the city of Omaha would like to have greater latitude, but the city of Lincoln has a bond commitment under MIRF and I don't think it behooves us to go into it any further at this point in time because, at least for myself, I'm going to withdraw the amendment and I'll be hopeful that Senator Mines is interested in doing the same thing and coming to the meeting, hopefully, and this can all be worked off...worked out off the floor, I think. Thank you. And with that, Mr. Clerk, I withdraw the