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Services relative to that issue, but I don't think it would be an issue, Senator.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Seeing nothing further, Senator Byars, you're recognized to close. And he waives closing on his amendment. The question for the body is the adoption of AM1980 to the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Byars' amendment.

SPEAKER BROMM: The amendment is adopted. Next item on the bill, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend the committee amendments with AM1982. (Legislative Journal page 1895.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Beutler, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Bromm, members of the Legislature, this is intended to be a technical friendly amendment, which I think is okay with Senator Maxwell. There's a provision in the bill that indicates that the hospital shall give notice to the parent of the parent's right to direct the disposition of the remains, and then to provide a copy of the hospital policy with respect to that disposition. And just so the hospitals are clear as to when they've accomplished this directive, I changed the language from "the parent" to "at least one parent of such parents' right." So the hospital knows they've done the job right when they give at least one parent the policy statement and have given them notice. I was thinking of situations where there may be a large number of situations where the other parent is not known or can't be located, and so you would want to be clear as to...for the hospitals, as to when they've satisfied the obligation, and this seemed the most reasonable way of doing that. Thank you.