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SENATOR LANDIS: ...be on an ongoing basis.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis and Senator Beutler. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do see five hands. The question before the body is, shall debate cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Debate does cease. Senator Landis, you're recognized to close on AM3658.

SENATOR LANDIS: Critical elements: \$279,000 to operate the amnesty system. Only for nonfilers on the state income...state tax code, rather; that's income and sales. Expected to raise about \$6 million. Some of that money goes back to the Department of Revenue for the purposes of getting lists, software, and auditors. Those auditors' future work that provide and discover unpaid taxes will continue to fund their operation into the future. It's a way of expanding the tax compliance portion of our Department of Revenue without paying any new General Fund dollars to do so. We start with the tax amnesty money, and after that it's the performance of the auditors that pay for themselves. We have people who are earning money in Nebraska and going back to other states and never paying us what the law obligates them to pay. This is our best chance of doing it, and it has to be, as Senator Vrtiska quite adequately put, a one-shot deal only. I'd ask for the adoption of the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the closing on AM3658, by Senator Landis. The question before the body is, shall that amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. The question before the body is the Landis amendment, AM3658. Have you all voted who care to? Record