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lights on at this point. Senator Beutler, recognize you for closing.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I think we have everything together. I'm in a position here where I'm not able to answer Senator Louden's question in a timely manner, but I'm certainly willing to work with him. This is not a problem central to the bill and to everything that's happening. It's a peripheral kind of problem, and it has been satisfied...it has been dealt with to the satisfaction of the Governor's Office and the executive branch. That's all I can tell you for now. So I would ask you to return the bill to Select File for purposes of attaching the amendment at this time. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing, and the motion is to return LB 439 to Select File for AM3561. All in favor vote aye, and opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER BROMM: The bill is returned. The proposed amendment is AM3561. Senator Beutler, you may open on the adoption of your amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Members of the Legislature, Senator Louden, let me address your question from the information I just received from staff. First of all, I understand the Historical Society is very willing to work with us next year. They're not insistent upon any further clarification at this time. The clarification that apparently is needed is a clarification of a kind of ambiguity that exists in current law, so we're not making anything worse. But under current law, as I understand it, DAS believes them to be responsible for security at the Historical Society, but they have had a de facto agreement with the Historical Society that they would provide their own security. So there's been a kind of nebulous, unusual operative modus vivendi, I guess, that's in effect, and we're going to have to work at that next year, I think. But I think it is important for you to know, and the body to know, that the