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to support LB 287, and help us bring Nebraska cemetery and burial laws into the twenty-first century. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator McDonald. As stated by the Clerk, there are committee amendments offered by the General Affairs Committee. Senator Janssen, Chairman of the committee, you're recognized to open on those amendments.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. This is a very simple amendment. What it would do is strike subsection (3) on page 2 of the bill. This deletes the requirement that the General Affairs Committee meet at least twice, and that such meetings be held at certain locations, according to population. What the committee members thought is that we didn't want to put into statute something that might be...might prohibit our ability to get this study done the way it should be. We understand why Senator McDonald put the place of the hearing clause in the bill. And we have assured her that we intend to do meet as subsection (3) requires, and we intend to work with her and her staff to make sure that the study is done to her satisfaction. It's simply a matter of not wanting a statutory restriction that we do not think is necessary. That's the extent of the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Janssen. You've heard the opening on the General Affairs Committee amendments. Open for discussion. Senator Beutler. You're waiving your opportunity, Senator Beutler? Thank you. Senator McDonald.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President, members of the body, I just want to thank the General Affairs Committee for working on this. And I think the amendment is pertinent to the situation, and I do respect their amendment, and will support it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator McDonald. Further discussion on the committee amendments? Seeing no lights on, Senator Janssen waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of AM0070, offered by the General Affairs Committee. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Have you all voted on the committee amendments offered by the General Affairs Committee who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.