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LB 401. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. You've heard the opening on AM1038, offered by Senator Friend to LB 401. Open for discussion. Seeing no lights on, Senator Friend, you're recognized to close on AM1038. He waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is the amendment, AM1038 to LB 401. All in favor vote aye; those opposed, nay. The question before the body is the Friend amendment, AM1038. Have you all voted who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Friend's amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Friend amendment has been adopted. Mister...

CLERK: Senator Beutler would move to amend with AM1145. (Legislative Journal pages 1154-1155.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, to open on AM1145 to LB 401.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, this is a clarifying amendment that applies in two different sections of the bill. And I think they're agreeable to all the people involved. But I must confess that in the rush this morning, I'm not sure I was able to get to everybody who was concerned. In fact, I've kind of forgotten which part of this bill belonged to who at what point in time. But hopefully they will speak up. But on General File debate, I think there was general acknowledgement of the possibility of clarification, even though they may not have exactly seen this amendment. The two parts of the bill that are affected, in one part, the general intent of the language is to allow citizens who have never resided in the country to vote by registering in this state under certain conditions. And those conditions were that they're a citizen of the United States residing outside of the United States and have never resided in the United States, and if they...and who has a parent registered to vote in this state, parents registered to vote in this state. And the amendment simply clarifies that they shall not have registered to vote in