

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

May 11, 2005

LB 425

of the biennium. It would also provide some money to expand a critically important and very effective early childhood grant program, in fact enough to not quite double that program but significantly increase it. So I urge your support. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the closing on AM1568, offered by Senator Raikes to LB 425. All in favor of the amendment being adopted vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Voting on adoption of the Raikes amendment. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Raikes' amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Raikes amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: Next amendment, Mr. President, Senator Don Pederson, AM1482. (Legislative Journal page 1467.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Pederson, you're recognized to open on AM1482 to LB 425.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you, Mr. President. I was starting to get withdrawals from the microphone. (Laughter) AM1482 is a series of ten technical amendments to LB 425, and I will give them to you in broad detail. Number one corrects a federal fund error, and I think if you have as many pages as we have in this particular amendment, you see that there are a number of occasions where there can be a typo or something of that nature. This corrects an incorrect federal fund estimate that was included in the budget program of HHS in the original committee amendments. Number two corrects the personal service limitation for new Medicaid-eligible voters...or workers, rather; no change in the appropriation. Number three corrects a General Fund error of \$10 to one budget program. Four, add reappropriation of authorization left out of the Appropriations Committee recommendation. The committee earlier agreed to this appropriation for the child welfare data initiative in HHS. Five, to allow the expenditure of cash funds for HIPAA activity which will not be completed in fiscal year '04-05. Six, reflect