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balance of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing for computer equipment replacement. The Auditor in this case had determined that they had too much money in their fund and determined that they should reduce that fund. They had old computers and it was determined that the best way in which to utilize that fund was to go ahead and allow them to replace the equipment, which is in excess of five years old. So with that, I would submit the items and, of course, if you have any question, please ask. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pederson. You've heard the opening on AM1483, Senator Pederson, to LB 425. Open for discussion. Senator Pederson, there are no lights on. You're recognized to close, if you care to.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you. I will waive my closing.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Pederson waives his closing. The question before the body is, shall AM1483 be adopted to LB 425? All in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. The question before the body is the Pederson amendment, AM1483. Have you all voted on the amendment who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Pederson's amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: Senator McDonald would move to amend with AM1565. (Legislative Journal page 1492.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator McDonald, you're recognized to open on AM1565 to LB 425.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President, members of the body, my amendment, LB...or, excuse me, AM1565 provides an additional \$500,000 in additional funding to problem gambling in Nebraska. The need for problem gambling services in our state continues to grow. Over 41,000 American...Nebraskans experience problem gambling behaviors each year, and it's an estimated cost to each