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for the amendment to get down and maybe we can get that passed and be on our way. I'd give the rest of my time to Senator McDonald.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator McDonald.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President, members of the body, we do have the amendment down, so we can proceed. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator McDonald and Senator Janssen. Senator Wehrbein, yours is the only light on, if you wish to close or speak.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Close. Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You are closing.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I will close. I think we've heard the discussion. There will be an A bill on the...or an amendment on the A bill to clarify, to actually appropriate the money. What this is only intent language to do the \$500,000 from the Health Care Cash Fund. It is in general agreement at this point, realizing future can change. But at this point it's our intention to be one-time only money out of the Health Care Trust Fund for this purpose, and that there will be a study this summer to determine other options; that this is not intended to be a permanent thing, and I want that on the record to clarify. With that, I urge your support of this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. You've heard the closing by Senator Wehrbein on his amendment, FA296, to the Health and Human Services Committee amendments to LB 332. All in favor the amendment vote aye; those opposed, nay. The question before the body is the Wehrbein amendment, FA296, to AM0795. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wehrbein's amendment.