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sorry about that. You're recognized.

SENATOR DW. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I stand in support of LB 256. I just want to caution the floor for now, and not necessarily now, but in the future. In the 13 years I've been here, we need to be very careful that we don't turn the Legislature into a medical school. We have medical schools, two wonderful ones, in the state of Nebraska. If you want to be a doctor, go to the medical school. If you want to be a nurse, you go to nursing school. If you want to be an advanced nurse, you take that advanced nursing training. But do not forget that we have doctors because they need to be doctors, and nurses because they need to be nurses. I have not...I've always worried about the fact in this Legislature, and this is not necessarily this bill, but a big worry of mine is from the first year I was here that we have more and more people come in and want to broaden their scope of practice and, basically, work into the medical field and become physicians without going to medical school. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Further discussion of the committee amendments? Seeing no lights on, Senator Jensen, Chairman of the committee, you're recognized to close. Senator Jensen waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of AM0542, offered by Health and Human Services Committee. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. Voting on adoption of the committee amendments to LB 256. Have you all voted on the committee amendments who care to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The committee amendments have been adopted. Anything further on the bill, Mr. Clerk?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Discussion of advancement of LB 256? Senator Price, there are no lights on. You're recognized to close on