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injuring my pocketbook. Our son was injured by an impaired driver. It was a misdemeanor. Please recognize that that's changed now, but he's permanently paralyzed. It has cost our family and him hundreds of thousands of dollars of personal money, uninsured money. Do you think I would have preferred to have had him give Doug a check, a fraudulent check, for \$500? Yes, I would, but if it's a check for \$500, it would have been a felony. For taking hundreds of thousands of dollars away from us, it was a misdemeanor. This is going to increase it. Again, I support it, but I would just take this moment to passionately say to us we need to examine the penalties that we put out and how they play against each other in all the various areas that we work on. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kruse. Further discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Bourne, there are no further lights on. Senator Bourne waives closing. The question before the body is adoption of the committee amendments offered by the Judiciary Committee to LB 594. All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is adoption of the committee amendments offered by the Judiciary Committee. Have you all voted on the question who care to? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

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

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion, advancement, E & R Initial. Anybody wishing to address advancement? Seeing no lights on, Senator Kruse, the Chair recognizes you to close, if you care to.

SENATOR KRUSE: Thank you. I will very briefly. This is the final piece of the actions that we've been working on for all these years. Several of you have asked if there are pieces that didn't get in this, there are pieces out there floating yet.