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SENATOR BROWN: I would withdraw that amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Landis would move to amend with AM2905. (Legislative Journal pages 1189-1190.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis, to open on AM2905.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. We adopted an amendment on General File with respect to housing authorities, and we allowed their labor and their materials to be bought without taxes. When they use a contractor, you've got to find a way to get the contractor to be able to buy those goods without the sales tax, so they can then build it for the housing authority. They need to have a purchasing agent in place. This has precedent in other areas of the statute. This amendment simply harmonizes and does what it was we intended to do on General File by allowing housing authorities the opportunity to hire labor and building materials as, essentially, a homeowner, and have them tax-free, along with the construction labor concept of LB 968. It is administrative in nature, it's existing precedent that we have elsewhere, and it simply creates, in administrative sensible terms, the idea that we passed on General File. I would ask for the adoption of AM2905.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the opening on the Landis amendment. (Visitors introduced.) Discussion of the Landis amendment. Senator Landis, there are no lights on. Senator Landis waives closing. The question before the body is, shall AM2905 be adopted? All in favor vote aye; opposed, nay. The question before the body is the Landis amendment to LB 968. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

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

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Landis amendment has been adopted.

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