

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE  
Transcriber's Office  
FLOOR DEBATE

April 11, 2006      LB 1232, 1248

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Been a motion to adopt the E & R amendments to LB 1248.    All in favor say aye.    Opposed, nay.    They are adopted.

CLERK:    Senator Jensen, AM3007.    I have a note you want to withdraw that one, Senator?    (Legislative Journal page 1410.)

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN:    No, not AM3007.

CLERK:    Oh, I'm sorry.    Your note says offer on Select File.    I misread it.

SENATOR JENSEN:    Right.

CLERK:    Sorry.    Senator Jensen would offer AM3007, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN:    Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature.    AM3007 is a bill, LB 1232, which was heard by the Health and Human Services Committee on February 8 and advanced unanimously by the committee.    It relates to mental health insurance parity.    This is an issue clearly related to Medicaid reform, and the purpose of AM3007 and LB 1232 is to explore and prepare a way for legislation related to mental health insurance parity in the future session of the Legislature.    AM3007 simply requires Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature to provide for an independent study of actuarial analysis of the impact of behavior health insurance parity legislation in the state of Nebraska.    A report must be submitted by December 1, 2006, to the Governor and the Health and Human Services Committee, and also the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee of the Legislature.    There would be a fiscal note of \$50,000, but this would be of cash funds; no impact on the General Fund.    I would ask for adoption of the amendment.    Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Thank you, Senator Jensen.    You've heard the