

confidentiality, one that I agree to and I applaud in the terms of LB 579. I will submit the amendment to the body's pleasure.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. We will now vote on the Landis amendment to LB 579. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk. A record vote has been requested.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1159-60 of the Legislative Journal.) 14 ayes, 29 nays, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment failed. Further amendment, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, I do have an amendment from Senator Hall. Senator, AM1034.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. The amendment I offer is a technical amendment in nature, and I did not print it because I did not get it until just yesterday. It relates to a letter that I received from Mr. Alan E. Peterson, who represents the Media of Nebraska, and it is a technical amendment in the nature that it specifically spells out in a little clearer way that the final report of the auditor is a public document, and that the workpapers that are put into that are not a public document. Mr. Peterson writes, he said, I would like to request on behalf of the Media of Nebraska that at the very least the auditor's report, whether the audit be done by the State Auditor or a private contractor, shall be clearly designated as a public record. He goes on to say that the way that the amendments were drafted, either the bill as it sits on Select File or through the Landis-Ashford amendment, that because of a juxtaposition of sentences and the paragraphs that there could be an interpretation that it would not be considered to be a public record. He said, he goes on to say I do not think you meant to have that filed audit be confidential but because of the juxtaposition of the two paragraphs, it is certainly a possible interpretation. What this amendment does is clarify that that is not the interpretation, that the interpretation that the final audit work product would be a public record. It also clarifies again that the supporting documents, the workpapers that were never intended to become public, remain confidential. With that, I would ask the body to