

CLERK:      27 ayes, 2 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of Senator Wesely's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Wesely amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, may I read some items very quickly?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Items for the record.

CLERK: Senator Will, amendments to LB 1224, Senator Dierks to LB 833, Senator Wickersham to 833, Senator Warner to LB 944 and Senator Schellpeper to LB 1354, those all to be printed. (See pages 1876-78 of the Legislative Journal.) Madam President, the next amendment I have to 1224 is by Senator Beutler. Senator, I have a note you wish to withdraw 3909? The next amendment, Madam President, is by Senator Dierks. Senator, I have AM3954 in front of me. I have a note you wish to withdraw that and substitute an amendment that I believe you just filed and had distributed. Is that right? (AMS732 may be found on page 1879 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR DIERKS: That's correct.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any objection? So ordered. Senator Dierks, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR DIERKS: Madam President, members of the body, this amendment to AM5732, if you'd like to take that copy, the white copy up, the current legislation that we're talking about, this is an amendment that removes the family cap essentially and I'd just like to go through it with you. If you would go to page 15 and go to line 3 you will find that we, after the period behind "months" on line 3, I mean we put a period behind "months" on line 3 and strike "or is over the age of 12 weeks for children born after the initial 10 months of assistance." We just strike that language, "or is over the age of 12 weeks for children born after the initial 10 months of assistance." And then the only other change is on the next page on line 17, and starting on page 17, line 22 the subparagraph begins, "the payment standard shall be based upon family size," and then we scratch "any child born into the recipient family after the initial 10 months of participation in the program shall not increase the cash assistance payment." We scratch that language. And then we add in there in that place, "and shall ensure incremental benefit