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well, just about everybod and I think we are within a hairbreadth of coming up with a settlement on the whole bill, one that would be acceptable and try some of the concepts of the bill. So I would ask to pass over until that amendment can be brought up here and everybody in the body can be contacted and that way we won't spend four or five hours. It will either have the votes or it won't. It will either be agreed upon or it won't.

SENATOR CLARK: Will that be brought up this morning?

SENATOR CLARK: I don't know if they can get it ready this morning. It is kind of up to the bill drafter. Why don't we wait until tomorrow?

SENATOR CLARK: All right, we will pass over the bill. LB 606.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 606 (read title). The bill was read on January 6 of this year, referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File, Mr. President. I have no amendments on the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, LB 606 is quite a simple bill. Several years ago we passed legislation to allow the sale of funeral arrangements and services prior to the death of a person and those monies derived thereby were to be put into a trust fund and it was quite uncertain if or not these trust funds could be audited by the Department of Health so it is simply saying all this bill does is it provides for an audit to clear up the question whether or not they have the right to audit these trust funds, and they should be. If the word in there is "may", that they "shall", it does give the right if there is a challenge of any kind or there is a question, it will allow the Department of Health to audit these trust funds. I move that the bill be advanced to E & R Initial.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Rumery.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Kremer a question or two. SENATOR CLARK: Senator Kremer, will you yield? SENATOR KREMER: Yes, sir.

