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court or an Iowa court. It is a problem of wards of a court in a school district and certainly, neither the child nor the school district is responsible in either case as to the location of this child and yet they will be made to bear the burden of it if we are going to start getting selective and say, no, only these wards. And the second thing, if we start this, I think we very rapidly will find the same situation coming from Iowa where they will refuse to educate the children that we are placing there and in other states, I am sure.

SENATOR STULL: Well, Senator Murphy, in reply, I am not aware of a reciprocal agreement between Nebraska and Iowa. There may be one but I think we will have to be very careful if we start taking the wards from other states because this is a costly program and unless we have some kind of an agreement with the other state, why I think we could just become a haven for all of the youngsters that gets in trouble in these surrounding states.

SENATOR MURPHY: Well, if that should be the case, Senator Stull, like I say, truly I would not be doing this had the Department of Education not at the 11th hour withdrawn a bill that in Education Committee would have spoken to this problem this year. But their willingness to sit there and let someone else bear the problem to me is a little more than unbearable. I think it is unreasonable. Now, I, personally, have been involved in this situation for two years and just exactly nothing is happening in it. So I ask that at least until this problem is identified that this school district be relieved of a problem that they did not create. They must educate those children who are now a resident here, be they a ward of an outside court or not, they are now a resident here and they do create the kind of a burden that this legislation was specifically directed to. If it needs to be refined, then there was absolutely no excuse for not refining it this year let alone the year before, but this year in particular. The bill was there. It was to speak to this intent and they simply sat back and said, well, let Ponca worry about it. We have got other things to do.

SENATOR STULL: Well, Senator Murphy, I was aware of that bill. I was prepared to testify for the bill and I was notified that the bill was withdrawn and so with that, that would conclude my remarks.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask Senator Murphy a question. Senator Murphy, now the people that are taking care of these wards of the state, are they paid to take care of them?

SENATOR MURPHY: I believe they are, yes, sir.

SENATOR KEYES: And do they live in homes that are on the tax rolls?