

part of your amendment. On line 18 where you want to take out that we can send these children to anywhere in the United States of America and you want to mark that out and say what we should do is come up with the institutions in this State. I can't agree with you any more but I'm saying you also then turned around a little later and said we don't fund these projects which is normal. I would say, could you possibly leave that part of the amendment in so that in the event that the same thing keeps repeating and repeating, that we do have some place to send these children? I am like you, I wish we would start on the institutions but can we leave it in until we get them started so that they do have some place to send them?

SENATOR CARPENTER: I have no objection to leaving it in except I think over a period of time, first, I think we ought to equip these institutions or whatever you want to call them so we can take care of these people along the known method of medical science, how we can do something for them.

SENATOR BARNETT: That's right.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now to send them all over the country if we don't have them, I think, is not very good fiscal judgment but I have no objection to it, I want to take care of these kids. If that'll satisfy you, move to strike that --

SENATOR BARNETT: Well, the reason I say it is I have a real good friend that lives not too far from where I live that has this problem. There was no place in the State of Nebraska that this multi-handicapped child could be taken care of. The closest place was Texas and that's where he went and I'd hate to see him lose this ability to be able to send him somewhere in the United States so I would move, if I could, to strike that amendment of the United States of America and leave that part in.

SPEAKER: That's an amendment to the amendment. Senator Barnett now has an amendment to the amendment which would strike the reference to what the United States of America, is that correct?

SENATOR BARNETT: That's correct, until we get the facilities in this State, I think we should have some place to send these children.

SPEAKER: You have heard the amendment to the amendment. Is there a need for discussion on that amendment? Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, we're moving a little too fast. I think what Senator Barnett would like to have would be that the Board may send these boys and girls to any institution in the United States. Now, if he puts that back in, that means if the parents want to, despite the fact that we may have in the State of Nebraska, institutions that will take care of them properly, if those parents do not wish to send them to that Nebraska institution, all they have to do is say so and we'll have to send them to New York or California and so I would say, Senator Barnett, your amendment should be a little different and say, and the Board may upon the parents' request, send to any institution in the United States, but I feel if we have the facilities and we have the doctors and the programs to take care of these people in Nebraska, we should not permit the parents just to be all powerful and say, send them anywhere in the United States because we said so, so, Senator Barnett, I hope you take a little time to write up that amendment.