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state aid to school bill pass at least in this session and I feel if we can't do anything else the one thing we ought to do is take care of these children that have these physical handicaps and problems and I think the great majority of the people of this state would be behind us a hundred percent. I find it difficult to believe otherwise and finally the courts in Pennsylvania, Washington D. C. and other places are mandating that these children if they can be educated and treated shall be so treated.

SPEAKER: Thank you Senator Stahmer. Any further discussion of the Barnett amendment? Senator Barnett do you want to make any closing remarks on your amendment? The question is shall the Barnett amendment be adopted? All those in favor say aye, those opposed say no, so ordered, amend-, the action has already been taken Senator Marvel. We'll read the amendment, will the Clerk read the amendment.

CLERK: Amendment read. Under the Barnett amendment this is deleted from the Carpenter amendment, so as to leave in the bill the United States of America.

SPEAKER: Does that answer your question Senator Marvel? We are now back to the Carpenter amendment as it was amended by the Barnett amendment, is there any further discussion of the Carpenter amendment. Senator Carpenter do you have any closing remarks regarding your amendment which has now been amended to the Savage bill.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Just one statement Mr. President. I read in the paper last night and I'm presuming it is correct that I think it's the health department committee, health committee, recommended to this body we spend somewhere between three and four million dollars a year more to ADC, and I presume because the committee reported to them I have no opinion on the bill, I haven't read it, that they probably expect this body to do something about it, or they wouldn't have recommended it. Now let's compare ADC, we are now talking about normal children who have at least average faculty, we're talking about normal people who can work, most of them. In this bill we are talking about people who are not in that category, and they are almost within the area in which not much can be done for a lot of them, but I often visualize how I would think if I was unfortunate enough, if I were younger, to have a child in this category, and being so frustrated I'd ask myself how did it happen, and then be more than frustrated by the fact that I couldn't do anything about it. This is what this amendment does.

SPEAKER: Do you all understand the Carpenter amendment? As amended. Is there any need for further discussion? The question is shall the Carpenter amendment as amended be adopted all those in favor say aye, those opposed say no, so ordered, the amendment is adopted. We are now back to Senator Savage and your bill as amended. Senator.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Mr. President, I move that LB 102 be advanced to E&R initial with the amendment.

SPEAKER: Need for further discussion. The question is shall LB 102 as amended be advanced from general file to E&R initial, all those in favor will vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Once again the Chair would ask if you have all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, no nays, 16 not voting Mr. President.