

SENATOR KEYES: Now in this \$6,300,000.00 from the general fund and \$8,000,000.00 from Federal funds, how much of this is presently being expended now, this isn't additional is it, or is thi, you know what I mean. Is this 14 total, million total, is that additional money to what we now, what they are now receiving?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's what it would cost to fund the bill.

SENATOR KEYES: To fully fund it, above and beyond what we are already paying what they already, already are receiving.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's my understanding, but the six is all that comes from the State.

SENATOR KEYES: I am a little concerned about the Welfare setting up the amount of needs. Perhaps there should be some other entity of government doing this. I've never been one that was for starving people but I have also committed myself this year that I'm not going to vote to increase taxes for anything unless its the reduction of property taxes and \$6,000,000.00 seems like an awfully lot of money. I don't know how many people we have on welfare but \$6,000,000.00 is an awfully lot of money to ask to increase taxes, \$14,000,000.00 additional to what we are already spending.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the motion? Senator Carpenter--motion--excuse me, Senator Carpenter. Senator Kennedy, you had your light on and then you turned it off and I, you know--Very good, do you want me to recognize you now? Go ahead, Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: Mr. President and fellow members, I too rise to bring the attention that the cost to the taxpayer is and they give it in round figures at \$15,000,000.00 and, of course, part of it is Federal and part of it is State. Also, as Senator Goodrich certainly stated correctly, when we're talking about the certificate of needs, we compare Nebraska with other states and it depends on who is talking as to what you're talking about. The certificate of needs in Nebraska is different than the certificate of needs in Iowa and the difference in certificate of needs in South Dakota. Those needs in dollars is what we should be talking about and not in just round certificate of needs because one state may say according to the Federal rules, we are giving 60% needs and they may be giving a lot more money than another state that is giving 90% or even 100% so it's real difficult for the people to figure out when we're talking about we're only giving 60 or 80% of the needs. In many cases, we are giving more than the surrounding states in those certificate of needs even though in the statement that it's only 60 or 80% so it's a difficult factor there but I feel that this bill as written, would certainly throw Nebraska in a terrible situation. Now, we are going to have H.R. 1 handed down to us and this summer I'm sure that we'll find some shocking things in that particular bill that our State will be required to do so I think we ought to be reasonable in our fact finding, I think we have another bill here that is similar and we tried to put the two bills together and we could not so I certainly would support Senator Goodrich in this motion. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter, then Senator Schmit, then Senator Chambers. We have before us the motion to indefinitely postpone L.B. 185.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, this bill was reported out by the