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CLERK: Read. There are committee amendments by the Judiciary Committee signed Senator Luedtke, chairman.

SPEAKER: Senator Luedtke.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the committee amendment on LB 159. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this particular bill when it was heard by the Judiciary Committee the first time, we had two hearings on this particular bill. The first time we did not have any clarifications to the intent of the bill itself and I will let the introducer get into the need for it and the background. However, what had to be clarified was that this entire bill was for purpose of determining county financial participation in matters relating to infants receiving pay and support to the Welfare Department and the whole question and I will let the introducer further explain this but the whole thing goes as to whether a certain 20% share of this payment for medical care and county share for medical care for the youth under the Welfare Act would be paid by the state or by the county. The interpretation was that it was to be paid by the state but yet it wasn't done in many instances. This will make it very clear that the state shall pay that share under Section 68-115. Mr. Warnsholz, the attorney for the State Welfare Department, came in and through.. negotiated a clarification statement for the bill which all seemed to agree to and this is what the amendment is the two matters of amendment state what the council for the Welfare Department and the individuals from Omaha who came down for this bill decided they needed.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion of the amendment? Senator, did you move the adoption of the amendment? If there is no further discussion of the amendment, all those in favor say aye, those opposed no.

(End of Belt #11)