

May I be permitted to handle the committee amendments?

PRESIDENT: Certainly.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Now the, the committee amendments were merely a refinement of some of the wording and since that time I have taken the bill as amended by committee amendments and had the Director of Institutions and the Director of the Beatrice Home review these and they thought they needed further refinement so we have, we would like to strike the committee amendments and add the latest amendment which I have a copy on my desk,--

CLERK: And it's inserted in the Journal also at page 725.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the committee amendments?

SENATOR R. LEWIS: I would move adoption of the new amended committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of those amended committee amendments? All those in favor of the amended committee amendments, please say aye. Those opposed say no. It is so ordered. They are adopted. Senator Lewis, back to you.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Now this bill is a--to take care of a few specific problems with the mentally, severely retarded patients who do not and cannot adjust to institutional care who have, are just in such a state that they are in danger of dying and it really tears up these parents and, Senator Proud has a specific example that he mentioned to me and in testimony at the hearing it came out that there perhaps might be 12 or 15 cases like this within the State. This bill would permit the county boards to reimburse the parents when the parents take these, are forced to take these children home and give them 24 hour care or constant care and this permits the county boards to reimburse these parents at the same rate that they were reimbursing the home or the institution. This, at the present time, is at the rate of \$3.00 a day. Now I visited with members of the County Board. They have no objection to this and as I explained earlier, we have checked this wording out with the institutions and they now feel that it fulfills every need and I would move that this bill be advanced to E&R initial.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? We actually need, Senator Lewis we actually need a motion to reject the committee amendments also. I see that you have something up here which was in lieu of those so even though it's in lieu of, we ought to reject the committee amendments.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Well I, I move that we do it, reject the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: All right. Those in favor of rejecting the committee amendments, please say aye. Those opposed say no. It is so ordered, the committee amendments are rejected. Now, any further discussion of L.B. 416. Are you all through explaining it, Senator Lewis?

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Yes.

PRESIDENT: Question is, shall L.B. 416 as amended be advanced to general file, from general file to E&R initial. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. Senator Chambers voting aye. Yes, we're still short a vote here. Okay, Senator Chambers had voted aye. There we go. Thank you. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, Mr. President, on motion to advance.