

SPEAKER: I would ask everyone to be a little more quiet on the floor. Next up to speak, Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, I'll be very brief. I just would like to back Senator Syas in his amendment which would allow the governing board of the district of the schools in our area the same powers which now has been amended to Lincoln and so I ask that the Syas amendment be adopted.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion? The amendment before us is the Warner amendment to the Syas amendment. If not, Senator Warner, care to close on your amendment? No closing? All those in favor of the Warner amendment to the Syas amendment say aye, those opposed. It is adopted. Now we're back to the Syas amendment as amended. Is there any further discussion on that? Senator Syas, do you wish to close on your amendment? No closing. All those in favor of the Syas amendment as amended say aye, opposed nay. It is adopted. Are there further amendments on the desk?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President. We now have an amendment offered by Senator Waldron.

SPEAKER: Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw that amendment but I would like to make one comment now. I have another amendment here that...

SPEAKER: One minute, we'll see if we get it. Is there any objection to withdrawal of the Waldron amendment? If not, so ordered. All right, now Senator Waldron.

SENATOR WALDRON: I'd like to mention another amendment that I haven't offered yet which I would offer if there is some support for it within the body so I'll just mention it briefly and then, and then if anyone is interested, if they'll come and talk to me and then we can offer it. This would, my amendment that I propose to you or could propose to you would eliminate the concept of community colleges and actually reverse what we did in 759 which you know I voted against at the time we passed it. This would create separate boards, my amendment would create separate boards for the junior colleges and for the, and for the vocational schools and place them under the Department of Education. Now if there's any support for that, I'd appreciate it if you'd come over and talk to me and then we could offer it at a later time.

SPEAKER: I would like to take this opportunity to introduce some young people from the Osceola Grade School. There are 37 eighth graders with six adults and one teacher, Mrs. Jean Peterson. They are in Senator Schmit's district and are seated in the south balcony. We're very happy to have you here today. Are there further motions on the desk? Clerk will read.

CLERK: Reads amendment. I'm not sure I understand this amendment. Okay, Mr. President, the Wiltse amendment then is to combine Districts 8 and 5 into one technical community college.

PRESIDENT: Stand by.

CLERK: Yes, the amendment, Mr. President, is to combine the community college defined in sub-section 5 in the Warner amendment number 3 so as to combine 5 and 8 into one district. Signed, Senator Wiltse.

SENATOR WILTSE: ...support what Senator Carsten has said and to support the vote of southeast Nebraska which consists of four counties, it is requested that we make a petition that