

April 18, 1979

LB 172

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, they are, Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: By Senator Wesely?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, they are, Senator.

SENATOR CULLAN: In that case, I would ask for a division of the question and follow the sheet that was passed out, Analysis of Amendments to Committee Amendments, and there they are numbered 1 through 28 and I would ask division of the question to take each individual subject separately.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, with your permission I would suggest that Senator Cullan or some of his cohorts proceed to explain the amendments and then I will come back to you and recognize you to amend the committee amendments without specifying which one.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Now who wishes to be recognized in regard to additional explanation of the committee amendments? Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, this bill has significant interest to many of us. I would defer most of my time to Senator Cullan in all fairness to allow him to go through the amendments. I think the body should know what those are before we start adding other amendments so I defer my time to Senator Cullan.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the Chair would recognize Senator Koch. Senator Koch defers to Senator Cullan. Senator Cullan, you were what, down to amendment 10?

SENATOR CULLAN: Yes, we are.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay.

SENATOR CULLAN: I was working on a number of different amendments and I can go through each of them separately if you would like. I think it may be more beneficial at this point in time to talk a little bit more about certificate of need in general and some of the issues that are involved. Certificate of need, of course, is required by federal law or is mandated by federal law that we do pass a certificate of need piece of legislation in this session of the Legislature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Excuse me, Senator Cullan. What you are proposing to do is to explain as a package the committee amendments?