

his responsibilities to his family, the Federal Government then comes in with the balance of the money. What we are doing is we are putting the responsibility of the veteran on the state and the county. By putting him into the Veterans Home we are coming in with federal funds that we are not getting now and cannot receive from the Federal Government but we can receive it when they are in the Veterans Home and I am sure as you said, there are too many beds in the nursing homes, then we should come in and I think the certificate of need or anything else and stop some of the nursing homes so that the cost to the people that are living there won't be increased because of the fact that we have vacant beds. Another thing that must be mentioned here, when a veteran is put into a nursing home he does not get the doctors, the dentists, the barbershop, any of the medical care that he needs. He must go outside the nursing home and that again is an additional expense. In Grand Island, for instance, the veteran if he can, he can leave but if he is unable to leave, everything that is needed there, therapy, doctors care, dental care, eye care, it is all provided and it is all there at the Veterans Home. The additional expense of the veterans that we have put into a nursing home is a very very high cost for them to go outside the nursing home and obtain the medical care that is needed. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? The question is shall debate cease. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. Debate is ceased. Senator Wesely, do you want to close on your amendment?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes. Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I know feelings are running high about this motion and it is running very high on this bill. I feel as Senator Landis did yesterday concerning LB 108. There are certain things that are just meant to be I suppose and I think that probably this Home and this bill are meant to be considering the support I see on the floor for this but nevertheless, I felt responsible to raise the issue. I will continue to monitor the bill. I want you to know that my