

the merits of 304 and this body saw fit to advance it after considerable discussion. I offered an amendment yesterday and the day before that clarified an issue as it relates to those students who come into this country, particularly the Vietnamese and Laotian type people to allow them an opportunity to pursue higher education after establishment of a two year residence. That is very certain in there. Contrary to what Senator Murphy says to you this is not going to create havoc with the university budget. It allows the regents some flexibility to meet the kind of society in which we live today on establishing resident and non-resident type of tuitions. The guidelines that we gave to that university system many years ago do not necessarily fit today's needs. If this body wants to meet the time and the future then I think occasionally we have to give some flexibility to those who are elected to give direction to the university system and to their state college system as well. Again I would remind you that that fiscal note that you see in there under 304 is obsolete, it is not applicable to what 304 is because the committee rewrote 304. There is no way that they can make a determination as to whether or not there will be any money lost in terms of non-resident tuition fees. I would remind you as well that this does not include neighboring states in terms of people who might live close to Wayne or Chadron or to UNO, that is a question, a Constitutional question at the present time. That is not included in this piece of legislation. I think for us to stand here and spend much time on the argument of striking the enacting clause is really folly, and for us to pass 304 would be beneficial to the state and to our post secondary system. I ask you not to support Senator Murphy's amendment to strike the enacting clause on LB 304.

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any further discussion? The question before the House is the indefinite postponement of 304. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. This is the indefinite postponement of LB 304. Have you all voted? It takes 25 votes. Have you all voted? Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: I see no point, Mr. Chairman, in pursuing this. If we are going to spend the state into bankruptcy lets have at it.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 14 nays on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR CLARK: Motion lost.