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SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, I do, very briefly, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker and fellow members, I, too, rise to oppose Senator Murphy's amendment and I am quite shocked that one of the strongest advocates for local control which I have always considered Senator Murphy to be, would now indicate that the state should, in fact, tell the local school districts what you are doing is wrong, we are not going to allow you to do it anymore, we are going to tell you what you can charge. Period. I disagree with that. It is just that simple. If we really believe in local control, if we want the school districts to be in charge, then let's let them do it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cope, your light was on previously. Do you wish to speak to the Murphy amendment? Senator Hefner, do you wish to speak to the...is Senator Hefner here? Okay. Senator Haberman, do you wish to speak to the Murphy amendment? Senator Marsh. Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I would like to address Senator Murphy's concerns and I share some of those concerns but for us to do this now would compound some real problems because I would advise Senator Murphy that many of the schools that accept nonresident tuition students are really not in eastern Nebraska. They are out more in the greater Nebraska area and for us suddenly to say you are going to compute your nonresident tuition fee with no more than 30% above your cost will put them in some severe financial problems. I am willing to have an interim study on the issue of tuition along with freeholding and a number of other issues that are very eminent today but I just cannot accept Senator Murphy's position as it applies now and I would hope he would withdraw his amendment until such time as we have ample time to study the impact of it, who it is going to affect most and how we are going to be able to get to that point. I understand that occasionally there are some schools that probably gouge and I do not like that any better than he does but right now I think for us to accept Senator Murphy's amendment would not be the wisest thing for us to do so therefore, I oppose it on a friendly basis with hopes that down the road next year we might be able to solve the issue fairly for all schools that accept nonresident tuition students.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you wish to speak?

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I also rise to oppose Senator Murphy's amendment. I am