

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Voting on the committee amendments to 768 and then after we complete this we will go to LB 995. Have you all voted? We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 768. Would you please vote. We have a long afternoon. Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, no nays on the adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move that LB 768 be advanced to E & R initial. As I indicated all that is contained here is the appropriation for the two special ed programs reflecting what the law now says the state will reimburse. I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor, Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Warner, do I understand that this is for, or I should ask how much is preschool and how much is five years and older?

SENATOR WARNER: No preschool in 768, there is the..... you will recall Senator Lamb's bill, the number slips my mind, 712 is it, seven something, will....that A bill substitutes some federal funds for local funds for preschool but preschool is not involved in 768.

SENATOR MURPHY: I guess looking at the committee amendment, Senator Warner, along towards the bottom it recites that it includes funds necessary to fund preschool. Am I not reading the amendment correctly?

SENATOR WARNER: I see. . .there is no change in the dollar amount, that language does reflect and permit the use of the federal funds to support the preschool instead of the general fund money that was appropriated but it doesn't change the dollar amount.

SENATOR MURPHY: Does the committee find any problem, Senator Warner, with seven million dollar bad guesses on the part of the department?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Senator, we intentionally in part under fund, Senator Murphy, because the bill requirement is for maintenance effort. It is one of the conditions and for example we could have increased the appropriation for next year in this bill. Were we to do that, we establish a higher plane of state support which in the event federal funds can be used in lieu of general fund money by our action in doing that we could be precluded. So, the estimate....I think we always recognize is going to be somewhat low but in part