

November 6, 1981

LR 4, 5

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Labeledz. Senator Dworak. The motion before the House is the indefinite postpone of LR 4. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote nay. It takes 25 votes to kill it.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on page 116 of the Legislative Journal.) 31 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

SENATOR CLARK: The bill is withdrawn, killed, slain and will have a decent burial. The next resolution, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 5 offered by Senator Burrows. LR 5 is found on page 80 of the Journal and reads as follows: (Read LR 5.)

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Burrows.

SENATOR BURROWS: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, this seems like a rather poor time to be entering a resolution but I am sure if the body can understand the situation that has developed and if I can do a good enough job of explaining it, that the body will overwhelmingly support this resolution. For the '81 cuts the regions have lost \$981 thousand. This is Title 20 funding. Now the situation of funding has not followed the court decree. I think the conflict that has arisen, I have no blame for the Legislature in what has happened, I have no blame for the Governor's office, but the court decree has accelerated the movement out of Beatrice to a point where it is shifting money to state funds because the Title 19 funds have stayed intact that are the primary source of funding for the Beatrice Developmental Center. Now what the bottom line that if more of these people are moved out, the waiting lists are going to grow on the community program and the bottom line is more people are going to be left without services. The federal government actually has engaged in two different games. The court has pushed a movement out of Beatrice while the federal funds have not followed them in the community programs. I hope I can explain that reasonably simple in that term. The money is just not moving over. The regions are not in a position presently to collect the Title 19 funds that are going to Beatrice. The requirements of the regions will have to include probably additional staffing at higher cost to potentially get Title 19 funds. The facilities will have upgraded requirements which will again cost additional funds and any way you spell it for the individuals