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LB 407

votes. Senator Higgins. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record vote has been requested. The Clerk will make the record.

CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 1312-13 of the Legislative Journal.) 11 ayes, 18 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. Senator Marsh, did you wish recognition?

SENATOR MARSH: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I'm one of the senators who introduced a piece of legislation which went to Public Health and Welfare Committee, which bill is currently being held and advisedly you might say hostage. I do not feel that 407 is good legislation, or that this is the direction we want to go. Yet I'm one of the senators who very carefully kept quiet, hoping that my bill would not be adversely affected. Well, that really isn't the way to play the legislative game, is it? If you believe in something then you ought to say it right up front. I'm saying I object to 407. I'm saying I've worked five years on a piece of legislation which has value, which should be passed this year, and because one group of health professionals can't agree among themselves, another group of health professionals are held hostage. I do not feel we should advance 407. I will vote red when we come to voting on the issue. I am requesting a machine vote. I ask you senators to carefully listen to that which is being said. I am concerned.

PRESIDENT: Amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to amend the bill. (See Wesely amendment found on page 1313 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President. Back to the issue. We have amendment which I've passed around on the desk. It is an attempt by the members of the Health and Welfare Committee. We've discussed this, haven't taken any formal action, but it is an attempt to try to provide the equitable representation on the technical committees that we've talked about. From the beginning we haven't specifically addressed the issue, but our concern has always