

far too much of your time in this Legislature, over the years, and this issue for a couple hundred thousand dollars is involving itself in every other budget matter you play with. It is making nursing schools created when maybe they shouldn't be, or should be. But it has gone way beyond their simple role. They've become too powerful in terms of trading and affecting everything else. So, either fund them and get them behind you, and say, okay, we tried to eliminate them, or we decided they shouldn't be eliminated, and now they've got proper funds and go on their merry way, or do the other thing. Face up to it and say, we think this isn't the role of government, and in tight times we know we are not going to fund it, you are out of business, best of luck to you in doing your own private lobbying, no hard feelings. But quit going half way, because the half way thing is costing you a lot of time and a lot of money outside the commissions. It may only cost a couple hundred thousand to fund them, but trying to kill them, or trying to just take a few 10,000 or 20,000 dollars from them seems to cost millions in other legislation. That is what is occurring. I don't need to tell you that, you know that. You know how many of you have said, okay, I'll help you hold onto your commission if you will help me get money for the retarded, or money...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...for this, or money for that. I'm just giving you the chance. Either face up to it, or leave them alone. Quit prodding them because they are going to bite back. Just leave them alone, or get rid of them, one of the two. My proposal is to get rid of them.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the DeCamp amendment to the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted that care to? Record vote has been called for. Please vote if you care to. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See page 24 of the Legislative Journal.) 7 ayes, 25 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator DeCamp's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The DeCamp amendment to the amendment fails. We are back to the Landis amendment. Senator Schmit, did you wish to speak about the Landis amendment?