

PRESIDENT: Once again we are trying to get the Senators in their seats which is required under the rules of the legislature for Final Reading. Motion has been withdrawn to take up tomorrow's Final Reading today. So we will be just reading LB972. (machine turned off)

CLERK: Mr. President I move to return LB972 to Select File for a specific amendment, that being to strike the enacting clause, signed, Senator Dickinson

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, my first thanks to Senator Whitney and the body for asking to have this held at my request during my absence last Wednesday when it was one of those days when Final Reading for the next day was moved back and the bills were read. Thursday's bills were read Wednesday, and this is a bill that went across this floor and a...a..in some of our more glorious moments without any discussion, with very few people in attendance and I certainly felt that this bill needs to be discussed. It involves a matter of philosophy to many people and a matter of state providing day car centers for in this case welfare recipients but it is the request of many people for almost all people. That is the reason I am asking to have it moved back. Now do you want the discussion to go on now Mr. President, or shall we act on the motion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: May I ask the Senator what it is about the bill that he doesn't understand.

SENATOR DICKINSON: I'm not sure that there is anything that I don't understand Senator Carpenter, it is very brief and it seems to be rather poorly defined. I personally am opposed to the philosophy of the state or nation providing the raising our youth and this to me is a step in that direction. I realize that there are some amendments on the bill, as I read the committee report on the bill there were people there testifying a...from all walks of life who sincerely felt that the state should provide

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child care for almost anyone who wanted to drop their children off, this included a college professor I believe who testified that day and working mothers and students parents and I certainly don't think that the state should get into this kind of business. I realize that this bill supposedly is specific to those children of mothers receiving ADC funds. The bill simply states that such additional services....lets see....notice of child care services shall be given to each family known to have need for such services. It doesn't say who defines the need or what is the criteria for need or whether it is just a matter of request by someone saying, I have need and as I said this bill is or has not been discussed on this floor to my knowledge and I think that it needs discussing and I hope that we get it right now.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.