

many handouts without any serious consideration of need. In other words, anybody that we seem to think was in need we have been willing to give them help and I have been very critical of that but I think this is an approach that if we had used in all cases of need, I don't believe we would be so critical of our welfare program. I think this is a very good approach. I can't help but think it is going to save us money over the long run and I certainly think it is something we ought to give a try.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, your light is on.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I want to thank Senator Sieck and Remmers and those others who have supported the bill. I want to reiterate again what was said earlier. If we pass this bill it is going to make a considerable amount of difference to a number of people, especially those individuals who are handicapped. If we choose not to pass the bill there is every likelihood that at one point in time the parents, families of some of these people will not be able to maintain those people in their home. As a result they shall become a charge or the responsibility of the state and as such, that cost in full shall be borne by the state. I think that all of us in this body are concerned about the expenditure of funds but as Senator Higgins pointed out, the money is going to spent. We are going to do it one way or the other and in this instance, in this instance it is going to be less costly. If you can find anywhere where you can get twenty-four hour a day nursing care for ten dollars a day, let me know. I will be glad to take advantage of it and I think that everyone in this body will. The best nursing homes in this state and the most economical must get at least two and a half to three times that and in the case of the kind of persons and patients we are talking about, the cost I am sure, would have to be even greater than that and it is not for the most part an economic benefit to those nursing homes because this kind of person requires a lot of help. But I want to point out again the young man who works for me can type forty words a minute. That is faster than some people who have come and applied for jobs in this place who have been supposedly skilled typists and he does it with one hand and I think if he had an opportunity to get around a little bit, he could be an excellent employee and hopefully we are going to find ways to utilize those people better in the future. We have an obligation to do it. We spend all kinds of money educating other people. My ten children have got hundreds of thousands of dollars of free educational benefits. My second son had the benefit of an education at West Point, a tremendous asset. I know the value of those educations. Many of these people never had the benefit even of an education and yet we are going to say, well, we can't afford the