

was okay on Select File but not on General File. Well I fail to understand why a concept is okay on Select File and not okay on General File and so he put out the word to the supporters of the technical community college to oppose the Cullan amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR CULLAN: Now maybe he is not being as sincere with me as he should be but if a concept is okay on Select File Thursday or Friday it should be fine on General File. I don't understand that kind of politics. Maybe I am not as trusting as some members of this Legislature but maybe I have good cause when you look at the activities and the actions because sometimes actions speak louder than words. I oppose LB 320 and I am disappointed in the tactics that have been used on this bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, without getting excited or out of line I would just like to respond slightly to Senator Cullan. It is no secret Senator Cullan has had a mad on for technical college and community colleges for several years, especially the ones in the west. I don't understand why. He says that we don't face reality. Well is facing reality getting along on 3% a year increase? If that is facing reality that is what they have been doing out there. Now show me another school that operates on 3% increase a year and I will back off of the bill. He says we come down here every year. Where else are we to go? This Legislature spelled out several years ago how community and technical colleges will get their money and this is still the place that says where we get the money, no other place to go. Let me remind you of one last thing. A few weeks ago we don't have football out there like we do at the state colleges, Senator Cullan, but we do have a basketball team that won a tournament out there and had the right to go down south several states away. I think it was Oklahoma. What do you think they did? They didn't take money from the state coffers to go on that basketball trip. They raised the money there at Scottsbluff and Gering to go and the people chipped in with a couple of programs to send them down there, didn't use any tax money. What do you think of that? If you think this is not living in reality then I don't know what it is all about. I don't think the community technical colleges are demanding much. They are not demanding much raise. I think the bill is extremely acceptable and I urge you to vote for it.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch.