

be alive and open for consideration. I think that the bill as heard in committee clearly had a great deal of opposition. Many organizations across the state have spoken out against the provisions of the bill. In talking about deregulation, I think it is pretty clear that deregulation isn't all it is cranked up to be. Why yesterday we killed the Weather Modification Commission and I haven't noticed any improvement whatsoever in our weather. So my feeling is that this is one indication of...obviously deregulation is not working in that case and it won't work in this case, so we ought to protect our children and I ask you to not vote for reconsideration.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan to close on your motion.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this has been and I suppose is an emotional issue, but I would like you to put into perspective what we are talking about. We are saying that if there are four children in a home, four, that you do not need the state to come in and regulate you and that is the issue. If there are five children in a home, the state will provide some modicum of regulation. I just see no reason for the state to be involved in a situation where only four children are under the supervision of one caretaker of a babysitter. It just makes no sense to me. The real underlying philosophical issue is this, where does the responsibility of the state begin and the responsibility of the parents end? I think that it is the parents' responsibility in these circumstances to make sure that their children are taken care of, and I don't think any amount of state regulation or control, and certainly not the meaningless state control that we have today, is going to substitute for that. I think it is unnecessary regulation. I think it is harassing and I think that it's an area that the state simply does not need to participate in. I would urge you to reconsider your action on LB 270 to allow people to babysit for four kids without having the State of Nebraska involved. That is the issue. I urge you, reconsider LB 270 and then let's advance it and make a good change in state law.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion before the House as posed by Senator Cullan is to reconsider our action to indefinitely postpone LB 270. All those in favor of the Cullan motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, I would ask for a Call