

putting it into state aid to education because that is too favorable to urban areas so we say, straight head count. That is what the rural areas have always benefitted from and that is exactly what Johnny has argued in the past and that is what they are getting. It is not as good a deal as they've got now, that's true, but there is no constitutional way to do that. You took away Medicaid. It cost \$3 million to Douglas County. That was a pain. That was a hurt. I hated to see that amendment get on there.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR NEWELL: At the same time I recognized it was fair and I supported it but you know, this formula as it is now, as Senator Carsten has made it, is a reasonable formula. It is a fair formula. It is as fair a formula and as rurally oriented as you can make and the only thing that you can do differently is what Johnny is proposing. He is proposing flaunt the courts, be irresponsible, forget your responsibilities, risk it, risk it, risk...get a special session, risk everything you possibly can and I wonder if most of us understand exactly why. I don't think that risk is right. It is not fair. We won't be doing our jobs if we do that and I think this Legislature recognizes it. This is the best formula that can be devised considering the constitutional questions...

SENATOR CLARK: Your time is up.

SENATOR NEWELL: ...and I urge you to reject the DeCamp amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Question.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Voting on ceasing debate. Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 6 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate is ceased. Senator DeCamp, do you wish to close?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I hate the lay of the land. You know you can kind of look