

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any further discussion on the amendment? If not, Senator Warner, do you wish to close? On the second amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, again as I have pointed out, the proposal does give greater flexibility to the department, that is opposed, I would only point out as I did earlier, if you looked at the committee amendment, Public Health and Welfare Committee 602, they suggest there the Department of Welfare would establish standard of need for medical services for indigent persons who are not eligible for medical assistance programs otherwise and I guess I see little difference or no difference between authorizing one kind of discretion...the Department of Welfare or another, granted 602 had a dollar cap on it but in essence so does the appropriation have a dollar cap unless you want to incur additional deficiencies next year. If you want to enable the state to stay within the appropriations for Medicaid and still more fully fund the most important medical services this amendment would permit the Welfare Department to make that decision.

SENATOR CLARK: I would like to announce that Wayne Meier is sitting in the north balcony. He happens to be the father of John Meier who is on my right and his sister Mollie Meier is back here with Senator Goodrich. Would you stand and be recognized please. Welcome to the Legislature. We will keep your son in line here, Wayne. The question before the House is the adoption of the second Warner amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Warner, do you want a Call of the House? Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I guess I will ask for a Call of the House, I hate to do that.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, a Call of the House has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to go under Call.

SENATOR CLARK: The House is under Call. All Senators will take your seats and check in please. All unauthorized personnel will leave the floor. Sergeant at Arms will you