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SENATOR NICHOL: The amendment is not adopted. Senator Goll, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. Speaker, I request permission to request that we adjourn until 9:30 on Monday morning. I would so move.

SENATOR NICHOL: You have heard the motion to adjourn. All those in favor signify by voting aye, opposed nay. Record vote...or machine vote. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 13 ayes, 17 nays to adjourn, Mr. President.

SENATOR NICHOL: We are not adjourned. Do we have another amendment?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have one more amendment.

SENATOR NICHOL: Excuse me. Senator Warner, for what reason do you arise? Oh, all right. Go ahead, Mr. Clerk, excuse me.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Burrows has an amendment to the bill.

SENATOR BURROWS: Mr. Chairman and members of the body, this amendment is a language change only and would strike the reference to continued movement from the Beatrice Developmental Center to the community programs. There are over 300 on waiting lists and I think they should have priority ahead of displacing persons from Beatrice and still leaving those people out there. It would leave the Department of Public Institutions free to use that money either for the residents in Beatrice or the community programs to take in and serve people that aren't presently being served. It is a reasonable language change and it is in there because of the court decision. We as a Legislature are not obligated to follow that court decision and I think it is time this body spoke out and passed this amendment, struck the language, the directional language where it actually gives incentive to move people from the Beatrice Developmental Center into the community programs while those funds are desperately needed to serve people that are getting no services now in the community programs.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I would just rise to oppose the particular amendment. I think the flexibility of either way is