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LB 761

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to return the bill for specific amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Wiitala and Koch would move to reconsider the body's action in the vote to return LB 761 to Select File for the Hoagland-Warner-Marsh-Vickers-Rumery-Haberman-Goodrich-Vard Johnson specific amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: It is the fifth time I think. Senator Koch for number five.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Members of the body, a moment ago when we considered community mental retardation programs, I did not participate in the action. Therefore, Senator Wiitala and I are both eligible to reconsider our action. I agree with Senator Clark, it may be the fifth time. I haven't kept tabs on it but what I am proposing to do is to reconsider the action of the committee. This amendment was offered by Senators Hoagland, Senators Marsh, Haberman, Vickers, Goodrich, Warner, and several others, and the proposal is to take \$385,000 out of the Program 35 which is Beatrice and redistribute that money among the various regions so that they can continue to serve their clients for the future fiscal year coming up and I have not been very active in this program but I understand its mission. Finally someone outside who works with mental regions (interruption)...

SENATOR CLARK: The Call is raised.

SENATOR KOCH: ...and I am ready to reconsider and to cast my vote so the motion is to return LB 761 to Select File for the specific amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, and members, I rise to oppose the reconsideration. We argued this last Thursday, I believe, for a couple of hours. We debated the issue again today and I am wondering how many times we have to consider our actions. I feel that the Chairman, the President of the Legislature did give everybody enough time to vote and, of course, if somebody happens to not be watching the Board, well, that is the way the ball bounces. And so I am not going to take very long today but I just hope that you vote no on the reconsideration motion.