

and maintain the staff they have and we are taking some money out of the program designed to put new people into those programs so we can adequately serve the people that are in the programs right now. I think we have got to do first things first. That is what this amendment does. I know there is a lot of support for it and I would suggest we simply adopt it and get on to other things. Thank you, Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wiitala.

SENATOR WIITALA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, I am just going to be brief. I signed on this motion for reconsideration largely as a courtesy. When the vote was taken, I think the Chair was very proper in his ruling that the vote had been declared, but largely because Senator Hoagland, the sponsor of this bill, was interrupted by a colleague, did not know that the vote was going to be declared that quickly. I think it is totally unnecessary at this particular point to further debate this bill. Largely what we need to do is just address the problem that we have and that is that the vote was very close and that if we would have had a Call of the House and a roll call vote we may have had a different outcome. So I would strongly suggest that maybe the next speaker that is recognized, if they would, would call for the question. Thank you, colleagues.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, the touching entreaty by Senator DeCamp about not taking from one group and giving to another I can concur with. I have not noticed Senator DeCamp trying to add any funds to this proposal and I know that based upon my experience in the past few days that it is not going to be very easy to add any funds. What we are saying is that we want to provide that the local facilities provide additional care for individuals. Giving the instance of Region 5, I believe we are providing \$11,000 more money and we want to transfer them from one facility to another. Now that is a little bit ridiculous. I would be really willing to take a look at some more money, Senator DeCamp, if you can find some place to get it other than wherever you are going after it right now. But in any case, I think that the proposal that is being offered is more equitable than the present situation and I think that we need to bring the bill back, we need to adopt the amendment, and I think that in all sincerity we need not be critical of anyone for having missed the