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the funding to the technical community college seven percent, they pick it up at the local level which then makes that part of it more than seven percent so you have a balancing act here and I just wanted to bring that out. And I don't believe you are going to squeeze the technical community colleges, only those that perhaps are at the mill levy limit which...or the limit that they can collect from their local entities but it is not the same as the other budgets that we are talking about. So I think what we are doing here is not cutting the community colleges, we are just shifting the burden.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Sieck. The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. The question then is shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. Debate ceases. Senator Nichol, you may close.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, just about a half a minute. How much are we talking about? \$578,000. 578,000, just consider that as compared to our overall budget for people who will be making money in the future instead of being dropouts to support our taxes in the future. Senator Cullan, I apologize. I will return good for evil on this bill. I forgot to mention that the other unfairness is the Eppley situation in which Senator Cullan is interested in and you will be seeing an amendment coming on on Select File having to do with the Eppley Cancer Research Center in Omaha. So I apologize to you, Senator Cullan. That also is an inequity and I intend to support you for that and I hope you will see your way clear conscientiously to support me on this. Only again, I urge your support of this for supporting students and I support all universities, colleges, community technical, lower education. I think it is part of our problem, our solution to our problem, and I heartily support this amendment. I urge your support. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question then is the adoption of the Nichol amendment to LB 8. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 14 ayes, 28 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails.