

PRESIDENT: The house is under call, will you please return to your seats and record your presence. Those not in the Chamber please return to the Chamber and record your presence. May I introduce some guests, please, while we're waiting. In the north balcony Senator Rod Johnson and Senator Moore have guests from Shelby Public Schools in Shelby, Nebraska. There are 21 students in the fourth grade, and 12 parents and adults. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you. Then Senator Beck has guests in the north balcony. We have 102 eighth grade students from St. Pius X and St. Leo in Omaha, and their instructors and adults with them. Would all of you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. We're looking for Senator Barrett, Senator Dierks, would you record your presence, please. Thank you. Senator Goodrich, record your presence. Jacky Smith, would you please record your presence. Thank you. All right, we're all present now. The question is the adoption of the Lindsay amendment to the committee amendments. This requires 25 votes. Did you ask for a roll call vote, Senator Chambers? A roll call vote was asked for. We will do it in regular order. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken. See pages 1547-48 of the Legislative Journal.) 16 ayes, 19 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails. Do you have anything else on it, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further on the committee amendments, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Now we are back to the committee amendments. Senator Coordsen, did you wish to speak further on it? The call is raised.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, and members of the body. I rise to move the committee amendments, but before I do that, I think that we should talk just a little bit about the vote that was just taken. I think the vote, I believe, 19 or 20 to 16, indicates to me that perhaps Department of Social Services, however the process might work through the appropriations, might well be advised to look at creating a fund to compensate foster parents for losses such as this lady received. So with that little editorial, I would move the committee amendments.