

He is probably the only one they could get to bring this amendment, so he is running it and doing what they wanted him to do, but those who vote for it should be prepared to vote for an override in the event of a veto and if you vote for it now and don't vote for the override, then why have you voted for it in this instance? I do believe that the study should go forth. If we can be panicked and stampeded into taking those actions that the study is designed to determine whether or not they are justified, then we have no need for the study. In case it's not clear, I am opposed to Senator Ashford's amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Abboud. The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now cease? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate now cease? Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 4 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Ashford, would you like to close?

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senator Chambers, even I can have a novel idea without someone telling me what to do, but...that wasn't an intentional loss of cool, or that was an intentional loss of cool. (Laughter.) No. You know, I think Senator Scofield said it absolutely best, that we can...the study is important. Senator Chizek suggested that this study is important and it's extremely important. Apparently, the Department of Corrections, when they came to the Appropriations Committee, decided that its top priority was adult incarceration and requested \$10 million, or whatever the figure is, for adult incarceration beds, including an adjustment center in Omaha or in Lincoln and Omaha, another facility in York. The problem is that Kearney State apparently...or Kearney State, Kearney Youth Development Center is a facility that does need immediate help and...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Ashford, please. (Gavel.)

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...this is a serious issue and I think I wouldn't have brought it to the body if...on a whim or just something to do this afternoon. Apparently, it is a serious problem. The fact that it wasn't brought to the Appropriations Committee as a specific issue or request does not bely the fact that it is an important issue and it needs immediate attention.