

the Social Services Department and let's move from that point. We need those. There are buildings out there, I think 532,000, I believe, spent on roofs, repairs of those buildings out there. Let's take those workers and move that shift out to the western or central Nebraska where they are needed, and I know that program. I know this is somewhat of a bombshell, but let's see within Social Services if those workers are not available, a better distribution of the workers and the service. That is my only suggestion on this, so at this time I probably won't be supporting it because of the fact that I somewhat have this NCCY problem that disturbs me very, very much for the number that are served out there and the amount of staff.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Wesely, please, followed by Senator Haberman.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President, members, in getting back to Senator Warner's amendment, the standards, national standards are the signposts that we used in drafting the amount of money we needed to fund the workers, where we should be to adequately protect our children. I understand his concern about tying ourselves into the future in national standards, but it also is clear that I think it should be our intent to meet some guidepost of what adequate staffing should be. So, and recognizing Senator Kristensen has raised an issue about the travel time and perhaps we can come up with some language that would clarify where we're trying to go without binding us so closely to national standards, and so at this point I'm going to accept the Warner amendment with the understanding that I think we need to follow up on Select File with some clarity here that we can work on together in the meantime. So with that, I'd go ahead and accept the Warner amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, would you like to close on your motion? The question is the adoption of the Warner amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Warner amendment is adopted. Senator Haberman, do you wish to speak? Did you wish to speak on the bill? Okay. Senator Wesely, on the bill. Pardon me?