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the engineering college. We all agree that needs to happen, and if we adopt this amendment, they are going to find a way to make it happen or they should be in all of our doghouses. I apologize to Senator Weihing and Senator Lowell Johnson for the surprise nature of this. The timing of that is something that is beyond my control. Nevertheless, it is a legitimate amendment, a legitimate concern that this body with a green vote could say, Board of Regents, don't come to us with these type of requests. I urge the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. And the question is the adoption of the Moore amendment. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. A record vote has been requested. Have you all voted? Please record. Please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See pages 1566-67 of the Legislative Journal.) 7 ayes, 30 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill is by Senator Goodrich. (Goodrich amendment appears on page 1567 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Ser ator Goodrich, please.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President and members of the body, this amendment is to strike the Chambers amendment from the other day relative to student aid in the Athletic Department of the university. I'd like to quote just a couple of things. Number one is, the paragraph in here says, in essence, the NCAA states that any time a student athlete receives institutional aid, that athlete must count as a scholarship player if he was a recruited athlete and engages in varsity competition. This is true for the sports of football and basketball. In football, we are allowed 95 scholarships. Thus, if a nonscholarship player was recruited and plays varsity, accepts this aid, we must count him. Since we always are at a... at our maximum, the above would put us over the allowable limits and we would be in violation of NCAA rules and regulations. The same is true of basketball. And then I would like to quote from a letter from Massengale to Chambers dated March 12. In your letter, February, 23, 1990, you indicate you are seeking advice with an Attorney General's Opinion on the issues raised in LB 708, which is the same issue Further, I'd suggest we take a deliberate approach to here.