

April 9, 1990

LB 1141
LR 239

SENATOR WITHEM: Question.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now close? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, no nays, to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate ceases. Senator Conway, would you like to close on the adoption of your amendment?

SENATOR CONWAY: Again, what we're voting on at this point is the adoption of my amendment and the amendment, at this venture, is just simply the inclusion of the community colleges in the coordinating process that would fall under the direction of... that has come down through LB 1141, the amendment or the offering that Senator Warner put forth last week that was adopted. It simply includes under that governance or under that coordinating structure, this is simply a Coordinating Commission, it's not a change in the governance structure of the institutions, it does include the community colleges as part of that... those units that ought to be in the coordination. The community colleges represent approximately one-third of the postsecondary education activity in the State of Nebraska and I think that it would leave a serious gap in any form of coordination if they were voided from that particular process via any language. So this amendment, at this point in time, is simply the inclusion of those community colleges in whatever structure we put forth. In this case, we're applying it to LB 1141. We applied the same concept to LR 239 earlier. The choice of which particular constitutional amendment we want to put in front of the voters is... I'm sure will be discussed at a later date or you're making those decisions in your own mind at this point in time, but at this point simply all we're doing is putting the community colleges underneath the coordinating activities that are described in LB 1141.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. You have heard the closing and the question is the adoption of the Conway amendment to LB 1141. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 32 ayes, no nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Conway's amendment to LB 1141.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted. Senator Withem, for