

favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Moore's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. The next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wesely would move to amend, AM1949. (The Wesely amendment appears on pages 2294-95 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: This amendment deals with Title XX funds. I'm trying to look for...what's the amendment number?

CLERK: 1949.

SENATOR WESELY: What we attempt to do here is avert potential loss to the state. And I've discussed this with Senator Moore and with the Department of Social Services, potential lawsuit that we're potentially heading toward dealing with the question of services to individuals on the waiting list for mental retardation services. Let me run through the scenario. There are currently two clients in Region V, Region V is here in the Lincoln, in southeast Nebraska area, who are receiving case management services, and they're on a waiting list for their services. You remember our discussion on mental retardation programs. And there are literally hundreds of individuals waiting for services. But these two individuals have applied to the Department of Social Services for Title XX services. Title XX is a broad, block grant program that covers any number of areas of services to low income and other individuals in the state, it's a federal block grant. But, anyway, there's some state monies involved, but it's primarily a federal block grant. These clients, after applying to DSS for services, were denied those services from DSS, because DSS contracts with mental retardation regions to provide services to the mentally retarded. It isn't a program directly through DSS, but rather through the regional system that we have in place, again related to our previous discussion on that issue. So these clients were denied by DSS. Then they filed an appeal, an administrative appeal, and Legal Aid is handling that appeal. There is