

not yet decided. And nothing is wrong with that. But I think they ought to just say it because we all know that to be the case anyway and put it on the record. This particular item would be the only one left if my amendment is adopted and that means the one that relates to restoring funding for the School for the Deaf. I hope that the exchanges between myself and Senators Brown and Brashear were factual and that the information that we gave is correct. I believe that the answers given to me were valid and I asked the questions because I needed the information. And my final understanding of this whole thing is that the \$300,000, if restored, would allow the School for the Deaf to continue operating where it is from the fall until the middle of next year. At that time, it is the intent of the Appropriations Committee, and if the Legislature adopts their proposal, that some fairly firm arrangements to have been made for moving from where the School for the Deaf is now to some other site. From the discussion I had with Senator Brown, more than one school district in the area is being negotiated with in order to find a location. The thing I do not want to see happen is that the School for the Deaf gets caught in a bind somehow and a site is not procured. If that happens, I would want the Department of Education to allow the school to continue to operate and then come back for a deficit appropriation. We have had those items brought to us before and we have voted for those appropriations. This is one which I think is significant. I hope that this whole idea and question of moving the School for the Deaf will not be tied into another proposal, which surfaces from time to time, to combine the School for the Deaf with other schools that are designed to deal with young people who have various other types of disabilities. So my motion is to omit everything from the Appropriations Committee's motion other than this item dealing with restoration of funds for the School for the Deaf, and I would ask that this motion be adopted.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You have heard the closing on the amendment offered by Senator Chambers. The question is, shall the amendment be agreed to? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Ask for a roll call vote.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: A roll call vote has been requested. Mr. Clerk.