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facility longer than was necessary for the actual treatment. These beds are at a premium. So this mechanism was necessary to allow the defendant to be returned after the treatment was successful, but prior to the court hearing and order, and with that, I would urge that you adopt this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Hudkins. There are no other lights on. Did you wish to close? Closing is waived. The issue before the body is the adoption of the Hudkins amendment to LB 256. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Hudkins' amendment.

SENATOR COORDSEN: The Hudkins amendment is adopted. More amendments, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend with AM3073. (See page 735 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Coordsen, members of the Legislature, as we got into this discussion on this particular bill, we got into a discussion of the applicability of Section 83-376 of the statutes, and this was the statute that tells you how much the county pays with respect to the different types of commitments. And with Senator Hudkins' amendment, we make this statute applicable, which as I understand was determined to be what everybody intended all along. So now under...under the law as it sits right now, 83-376 is applicable, and what that says is, it has three parts. It says that the county shall pay with respect to the first 30 days of people in certain institutions, including Hastings Regional Center, Lincoln, Norfolk, and the University of Nebraska Medical Center, for the first 30 days in those institutions the county pays \$15 a day. Okay? And in the Beatrice Development Center, a different institution, but for the first 30 days the payment is \$10 a day. And then the third part of the statute says, what happens after the first 30 days? And after the first 30 days, regardless of what type of inst...which institution you're in, the county pays \$3 per day. What I wanted to ask you to think about and it may be that you would want it developed in a separate bill or more information, but what I wanted to ask you to think about is the

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