

please? Mr. Speaker, I would yield my time to Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I withdraw that but let it stay for Select File.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It will be withdrawn and then refiled. The motion before the body is the motion to advance LB 1264 to E & R Initial. Senator Bernard-Stevens followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Brashear, I'm just going to ask a couple of questions, I do not intend for you to answer now. If you want to during your closing, you certainly can. One is would you be...would you be agreeable to an amendment on Select File that would put the extra \$40, instead of in the higher education which you decided to exclude community colleges, but into a stipend for maybe players at the university level? And the second question is more serious. Once again I'm always curious why community colleges are left out in any dollar-sharing in higher education which again this is the case. On closing, if you'd care to answer those, that's fine; otherwise, I'll pursue the latter question at least on Select File.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers, on the motion to advance.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, on Select, I'm going to have a lot more to say about this bill. I am opposed to it. I think football in this state is a religion, and I have a amendment that I'm going to offer on Select File that says every place where "spirit" appears in this bill, the word "holy" will be inserted in front of it, so these will be "holy spirit" plates because it's a religious experience for people in this state. They have no life and, without the football team, they would all commit suicide or kill everybody off like the Gingham Dog and the Calico Cat. The exploitation occurs primarily with the football players at UNL, and these little state colleges, to my way of thinking, are not in this equation at all. You could give somebody one ticket to see every one of these state college games for the whole season, and when I say one ticket, I mean it allows you to go to every game, as opposed to one ticket that would allow you to sit in Memorial Stadium just for the kickoff, and they take that one that would