

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Schmit would move to indefinitely postpone his bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, please.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I have compassion for this body, great compassion, and I do not want the body to be made ridiculous and so with the adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment, ladies and gentlemen, you have killed the bill. Senator Chambers, by the changing of a small word, "may" to "shall", he gave up, you know, he gave up four of five "shalls". He just got one little "shall" and in so doing he killed the bill. Now he is going to make most of you, not most of you, many of you, are not as ambivalent as I am, and so you have difficulty accepting the fact that you were one way on 517 and you have not understood both bills really thoroughly and so you don't want to vote against Senator Chambers on this motion, but I would ask you to do me one favor and kill the bill because you can then march out of here righteously indignant and say that you are consistent and that you are for local control, that you are for strong drug abuse programs, you don't want to mess around in teaching certain types of programs that have to do with sexuality in schools, but that in this particular instance, in this particular instance you felt so strongly for local control that you had to adopt the Chambers amendment, and you did, and so you have killed the bill. There is no bill left anymore. There was only one "shall" there that made a nickel's worth of difference and I told you, and I wouldn't point it out to you because I thought perhaps you might want to read the bill yourself and discover it, but Senator Chambers, being the gentleman he is, pointed it out to you and you took it, and it is incredible. It is absolutely amazing. Now if it were a major bill to me, if it were a major bill to me, I would fight for it, but it is not that important. The most important thing you're going to learn out of this, ladies and gentlemen, is that when you stand on this floor and you have an important bill, you'd better read it and read it and read it because if you don't, you're going to suffer great embarrassment and you could at some point cause great harm. I agree with much of what Senator Chambers has said, good, ordinary common sense among your educational system, don't need the bill. But it was brought to me by educators, it was brought to me by educators