

a black guy in Omaha who deals with poor black people and he said do this. So if one of those who is a part of that group says do it to his kind, we can all do it, and it's all right because he said it. He can't bind my conscience, and he and I get along. We may not after this, but it will be from his side, not mine. I'll fight it, I don't care who brings it, and that's what I must do. But right now we have before us one amendment I think is very reasonable and I hope you will support it.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Prior to recognizing the next speaker, I'd like to introduce Senator Robinson's guests from Lyons-Decatur Northeast Schools located in Lyons. We have 40 fourth graders with their teachers. They are in the south balcony. If you'd all rise, we'd be happy to recognize you. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Mr. Speaker, members, I couldn't let the opportunity go by not to respond to Senator Hartnett saying that perhaps the student did just as well off driving the truck. That got my attention. I would take issue with that. But then I did talk to him and realized that because he did stay in the classroom, actually he ended up being a history major. And so I think the point is well taken, Senator Hartnett, that the more we can do to encourage students to be in the classroom the better off we are and the more we can do to encourage parents. And Senator Schimek alluded to the fact, I think, that...and it has been on the floor, that we need to treat everyone the same. And I think Senator Beutler pointed out that currently under law, under current law if people do not...they do not follow the law and if students are truant, they may be fined \$500. And so it's not without precedent that we say and take an action if parents do not follow through and see that their students are in the classroom. I wanted to point that out, and I continue to oppose the Schimek amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR HALL PRESIDING

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Wesely, followed by Senators Schimek and Chambers. Senator Wesely. Question has been called. Do I see five seconds? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 4 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.