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is a particular change that I think is a wise change. I think I did have some concerns as this came out of committee with this amendment about, and questions, and we didn't have a lot of time to discuss it on General File, about whether or not you would have to go through these two hoops, so to speak, in the case of an extreme or a very, very serious incident or violation of law or policy, school policy, and I...so I do support this change. Let me say that I think Senator Withem gave a good recounting of some philosophy and reasons why we are at the point where we are with this whole question, and I...I would like to also elaborate on that just a little bit. I think, as I've seen in my own school district, where...where the school board and administration, perhaps the parents, get behind something and believe in something, they'll do a good job with it, and I think, on the other hand, if people simply go through the motions to comply with some federal or state mandate, as the case may be, and sometimes you have to have those, and I recognize that we all know there's situations where you have to have those and should have them, but, as a general rule, they are not going to do as much to implement a program if it's...if they don't believe in it, as they would if they do believe in it, and so I'm...I certainly am willing to make some accommodations and some improvements to the bill, which I think this amendment and the next couple of amendments do, in keeping with the philosophy that there still is a basic decision on the part of every school district whether or not they are going to formally have an alternative school or not. If they have the need, and they have the desire to provide a formal alternative school, they will do so, and I think they'll do, hopefully, a better job of it than if they were doing simply to jump through the hoops and comply with what they perceive, at least, to be some sort of a state mandate. With that, Madam President, I just want to say that I support this amendment; would encourage the body to adopt it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Madam President and members of the Legislature. I rise to support the amendment as well. I think that alternative schools are extremely important, not only in the urban area, but in the rural, and I would suggest that everyone, that they get this magazine, which is called School