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time are the major culprits and you are not going to solve those problems here with 221. I have heard parents say and, believe this or not, golfing with them or casually saying, thank God my son isn't on drugs but he does drink a little and I sooner would have him drink any day than get on that drug. Now isn't that a hell of a way to be a parent? But it is rather popular. I submit to you also, you may have another spinoff. The drug scene is diminishing but put this in and see what may happen to the drug scene. It may increase because people who have leisure time, who are affluent, who have automobiles, who need something to solve a frustration or an escape type of mechanism, they will turn to alcohol or to drugs and things of this nature.

SPEAKER MARVEL: One minute.

SENATOR KOCH: And finally, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, Senator Kelly has yet to deny the quote that I gave from the Gateway newspaper. I at least hoped that he would speak to that issue before we get done but I will submit to you in conclusion that we are going to say to the young adults, we are going to drive you underground and seek out those clandestine environments because that is where we want it, where we can't see it, hidden away from our view and hopefully it will go away so that we can sleep well tomorrow knowing that we, as a body, had the backbone and the courage to either kill this bill or let it ride on and mislead a whole bunch of people and most of all our young adults saying, we don't believe in you and with that, Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my kill motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: What is the next item of business on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Reutzel now moves to amend the bill and his amendments are on page 1366.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Reutzel.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, this amendment certainly isn't a delaying tactic. I am not trying to harass the bill. I talked with Senator Kelly some time ago about this. Senator Kelly is in agreement with the amendment. If this bill is going to pass I think we need this provision in there. I will be very brief. This amendment was suggested by one of my constituents who has an operation in Fremont, also here