

in my own area and worked hard the past number of years to get funding through the tax on alcohol to promote these programs. I understand what Senator Murphy is saying that we have the biggest problem is apparently in our . . . with our children, of school age or just above, but we have another problem there and until we get the parents' cooperation it is very hard to deal with this problem. We can not force ourselves upon these children, all we can try to do is educate and enlighten and I think that is the reason so much literature was sent out. I think that there are people who go around to the schools and speak and talk and try to encourage the youngsters not to drink, but that is about as far as we can go, unless I don't know, perhaps we could pass a law whereby a youngster has to take treatment or quit drinking or whatever it might be but I think we would have a very difficult time enforcing this. I wish that there was something that we could do but until we get the cooperation of the parents and perhaps of even the teachers in school we really have no legal right to force these children to take any kind of treatment. So, I don't know what you expect the agency to do, but to try to educate and encourage those that drink to quit or not to start. So, it is difficult when you get to an adult where you can sentence him for some sort of crime or driving while intoxicated you have a legal right to force him to take some treatment which we are trying to do. I'm not even sure that works. But, I hesitate to cut the program because I think we are just now getting it to work. Maybe it doesn't work very well right now and that is our fault if it doesn't. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Question of Senator Murphy.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Murphy, will you respond?

SENATOR MURPHY: Yes, sir.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Is this cut out of the general budget, Senator Murphy, or is it aimed at a particular project in the budget?

SENATOR MURPHY: No, it comes out of the alcoholism division, what is the program, central office of the alcoholism division of DPI.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you. Then this talk about hurting the programs in the schools has nothing to do with it. I