

another \$250,000 from state funds. I intend to support this bill as I believe in transportation for the elderly, Senator Fowler and Senator Marsh. So what we are doing here is we are duplicating, we are overlapping but I still will favor the duplication and the overlapping if it is restricted to the summer time and not during school hours. The schools are having a hard time with finances. They are short of teachers, they tell us. They can't live with the lid. And they are short of administrators. Yet here we are adding another burden, another mandate on the schools to administer another program because somebody is going to have to schedule these buses, somebody is going to have to see that the driver is qualified, somebody is going to have to see that the bus has gas, somebody is going to have to see that the bus is ready to go. This all has to be done during school time. Now I am not against transportation for the elderly. I am looking at this as going to cause problems, permissive or not. Are the school people to run a school or are they to be running a public transportation system? So I oppose the amendment to the amendment. Let's try this the way the committee brought it to the floor. Let's see what happens to the other bill, and let's go on from there. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch, did you want to speak to the amendment to the amendment?

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, I wish to speak to the bill.

SENATOR CLARK: Thank you. Senator Rumery, we are talking on the amendment to the amendment.

SENATOR RUMERY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Remmers a question or two if I could. Senator, maybe you don't want to go into details on this but what are the problems to which you refer?

SENATOR REMMERS: The problems that I refer to are some that Senator Haberman has already mentioned as a matter of are the buses ready to go when it is time to use them for school purposes. The accounting for various expenses, to break down what or who pays for what insurance. Generally the school people shy away from that. I know that in the past we have said, "No, we won't use the buses for other activities because it does interfere with the school day." I don't think that we have any assurance if those buses leave at noon that they will be there at 3:15 or 3:00 o'clock or whenever they are supposed to be there. And I agree with Senator Haberman, it is permissive but permissiveness in a small district there is an awful lot of pressure on a school board and I know that