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purpose of highway safety programs to reduce the number of alcohol involved accidents with special emphasis on teenage drivers, and the amendment prohibits the use of any funds for any part time or permanent salaries. It is to be programs, the kind of activities that these funds would be used for and what they are used for now are in part some of the public relations type of approach, but in addition to that, they also assist in the purchasing of breath analyzers that are for law enforcement that are of a nature that will be more apt to stand up in court. They also carry on a number of educational programs of law enforcement officials to ensure that the arrest of an individual who is suspected of driving while intoxicated can be done in a fashion that will increase the probability of successful prosecution and I feel that while the program that is already in effect and where the bulk of the money goes is good for rehabilitation and it is for some activities for prevention, it seems to me a portion of these funds, a relatively small portion, is not unreasonable to be used for a direct program of preventive operation in terms of more better enforcement as well as calling attention to young folks particular where it seems to me there has been a number of alcohol related accidents, an increasing number, and I would hope the body would accept the amendment that would use \$81,000 for this year only. It would not come in as any continuation, it would come in as a new and expanded request next year, not a continuation budget. So I would move adoption of the amendment and I do not know what the introducers of the bill feel about it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol. We are speaking to the A bill, 129.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, in regard to Senator Warner's amendment, much as I would like to keep the money where it should be, recognizing the weight that Mr. Warner carries in this body, I yield to his wishes and suggest you support his amendment. The Department of Education is not ready yet, as I understand it, to handle this type of thing and the Motor Vehicles could and would and wishes to, so I would support his amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the Warner amendment to...Senator Warner, do you wish to speak to your amendment?

SENATOR WARNER: I just wanted to close and reluctantly acknowledge the logic of Senator Nichol's argument and I would like to pick a time or two later on for him to utilize it again. So with that I move adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan, do you wish to speak before we close?