

another. And if you don't believe it, talk to the corrections officers, talk to the new director of corrections who does understand how prisons are controlled. Talk to members of the State Patrol who will be honest with you. Selective enforcement of laws and prisons, selective enforcement of rules are common, and until we go for the whole ball of wax, so to speak, and look at the entire system, this kind of stuff is merely taking coal to Newcastle. It is putting a bit of fire to the tip of the fuse whose other end is in a stick of dynamite. We are not dealing with a problem here. We are making political hay, but I will not be put in that bag. I am going to say and try to do the things that I think this system needs to have done. This is a bad amendment and I think there are provisions in it that even Senator Pirsch will want to take out because she agreed with taking some of this very language out of another bill yesterday.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler, do you wish to speak to the bill, or the amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I don't agree with Senator Chambers that this is an effort to make political hay. I think this is a very genuine effort to address a problem. But again I would ask that you delay putting on this amendment until either there has been a public hearing or at a minimum wait until Select File and the additional point I wanted to make is that the amendment itself is not correctly drafted. Subsection one of the amendment says "underscore original section 1", which means they have left into the bill the original section 1 which conflicts with the remaining portion of the amendment. So the bill drafter has made mistakes on this amendment and it is not even possible to read the whole amendment in its entirety and have it make sense. So I think as a minimum at least the drafting errors so the people on the floor of the Legislature can know what this amendment means and says, that those errors should be taken care of before we look at the substance of the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker and members, I will talk more basically to the amendment because I think the amendment is a major amendment to a small bill and really I support the bill but when you come forth with an amendment like this I really think it needs a public hearing and for that reason I certainly couldn't support it. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Pirsch, do you wish to close on your amendment?