

They do need education. But this bill says they should attend a school. That doesn't say they are going to get an education. They just have to attend a school and I bet you that those poor agents that you are talking about, they will register for the school and then they will go goof off and there is nothing there that says that they have to continue on to school. All they have to do is register. And I also want you to know that an agent that comes in line has to take a test. He has to be knowledgeable of his insurance and what he is doing and I do feel that this is all that should be required. And I can see where this bill would be abusive and many of our agents which we do think do need the education are still not going to get it. So I move that we kill the bill.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to indefinitely postpone LB 274. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Sieck, you don't want to have any...Okay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 29 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp would now move to amend the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Pirsch and Senator Higgins raised, and Senator Sieck, with his kill motion, raised some interesting questions. So I think it is time we have the truth session on LB 274. Now is 274 a good bill or a bad bill? I surely do not know. I will tell you the custom in this body and the custom that we have developed as long as I can remember since I have been here and before that and it goes something like this. Whether it be the podiatrists or the doctors or whatever, CPAs, we say, "Look, you people know your industry as well or better than anybody else. You people are the peers of the other insurance people or doctors, or whatever." Now if you as a group almost overwhelmingly say, look, we've got a problem here, we need this or we don't do that, shouldn't do that, then the Legislature generally speaking is going to listen to you and believe you. We don't all claim to be insurance experts or CPAs or anything else. What we do is pretty much take your word because we know that usually within an industry you have a whole bunch of disagreeing people and if you get them all in agreement, then generally what they've got is something that is good for the consumer and good for the industry. What we try to watch out for in the Legislature