

be here and I wouldn't be on the Education Committee. Senator Koch also mentioned in his remarks that what we needed to do was look at alternative schools. I am on a committee that is doing that very thing. He also suggested that we are going to need to put some funds in alternative schools and that is certainly correct. He also mentioned vocational education. He will remember that I opposed his bill a year ago simply because I didn't think it distributed the funds quite fairly but he is right as far as the fact is concerned that if we are really concerned about helping young people we need to provide those subjects that will tend to keep them there and those subjects sometimes cost money. Let me just simply close by saying that what we are trying to do here is a noble cause as far as we are all concerned. We are all concerned about the problem of high school dropouts as well as we should be. I just simply suggest to you that raising the age limit, increasing the size of the club is not going to force those young people to stay in school because at that point in their life they are not afraid of that club. I can assure you, those young people out there that are thinking about dropping out of school could care less what this body does. We like to think that we are pretty important in here, but as far as those young teenagers are concerned, we are not important at all. They are more concerned about a whole variety of other things and I won't go into what they are concerned about but I can remember a little bit about what happened back when I was a teenager and I am sure most of you can and what took place in the Unicameral wasn't one of those things that really concerned you. I just urge the body to reject Senator Beutler's LB 305, and with that, Mr. President, I would ask unanimous consent to withdraw this motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vickers, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR VICKERS: I would ask unanimous consent to withdraw my motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Hearing no objection, so ordered.

CLERK: Mr. President, in that event, the next amendment I have is from Senator Beutler.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I hope you will pay attention just one minute. I do want to offer a compromise. I do want to take into recognition the objections that have been made and the objections that