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you may recall a few minutes ago he suggested simply that if you can conclude in your own mind that the Driver Education program is not currently worth the level of money we are putting into it, why not just repeal that funding and that offering, and then not transfer any money to the Vocational Education program. Well, that is what this amendment does. I am very sympathetic to what Senator Beutler is attempting to do. I think that the time has come for this Legislature to reassess the efficacy of the Driver's Education program and following that reassessment to conclude, as I basically have concluded, that while it is a beneficial program it does not warrant the kind of commitment of state dollars to it that we presently commit to it. I am also very sympathetic with Senator Beutler's point of view that we should increase our commitment to the Vocational Education offering, but our present commitment of state funds to Voc Ed is \$750,000 and Senator Beutler would put another \$1,038,000 into that fund. In other words, he would more than double the state commitment to Vocational Education, and I suspect that if we put that amount of new money into that program at this time, that that program will not be able to wisely use that money because it will not be ready. It will not be ready to receive that much money so quickly and it is better to take a program that you do want to enhance and enhance it somewhat gradually along well planned lines. So it is for that reason I think that it would not be wise for us to simply strip away the funds from the Driver's Education program and put them lock, stock and barrel in the Vocational Education program. Like Senator Beutler I do believe that the level of funding for Driver's Education is inappropriate in these difficult and economic times where we really are called upon to make choices as to which items deserve state funding more than other items, and in my value system, Driver's Education is not as significant as other areas of state funds. One of the things that Senator Beutler passed out was an article from the Christian Science Monitor dated November 19, 1981 which is very interesting. If you look at the article, you will see that the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, a nonprofit research group, concludes in a very high controversial study that Driver's Education may well lead to more accidents than not. And why is it? Because Driver's Education puts young people in cars earlier than they probably would be in cars without Driver's Education and also gives them a somewhat false sense of confidence in their driving skills and abilities. And when you combine the early age of the young driver with a false sense of confidence, that oftentimes leads to more accidents. And as you may see from the article, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety suggests that we eliminate high school Driver's Education programs. I do agree