

there are some countervailing arguments to encouraging persons to get marginal jobs and forfeit or sacrifice some of the educational qualities that we are providing in our schools. But it does strike me that this is an opportune time for us to discontinue state funding for the Driver's Education program. Senator Warner indicated that the issue itself has been discussed at great length in the Appropriations Committee, and only after a long debate could the committee finally conclude that the continued maintenance of Driver's Education was warranted. So it clearly means there is a major difference of opinion. This is an area where reasonable minds can differ. Well, you know what is happening with state funds and I know what is happening with state funds, and I think the time is here for us to effect some significant savings and this is one of those places. So at this time I would ask you to vote for my amendment. What it does is it merely says that the savings effected by the Beutler amendment in terminating state funding for Driver's Education shall not then be transferred to the Vocational Education program.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the Johnson amendment to the Beutler amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record the vote. Record vote has been requested.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch requesting record vote. (Read the record vote as found on page 1400 of the Legislative Journal.) 5 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion lost. Now we are back on the Beutler amendment, and Senator Cope, did you want to speak on that? Senator Beutler, did you want to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes, Mr. Speaker. Just to remind you again the amendment basically shifts \$1.3 million from Driver's Education to Vocational Education. Senator Koch mentioned that I would be penalizing the schools. That is absolutely not true because if Vocational Education funding is going to drop by \$2 million the schools are going to be penalized in one area or the other. The question is, what is the most important area? Which is most important, Driver's Education or Vocational Education? Senator Koch says poor people are being penalized. Well, if the poor people don't have....if the schools don't have the money to teach the poor people jobs, are they not being penalized in that regard? If you don't have proper Vocational Education, that is penalizing poor people. Again, it is a