

some bills that were referred to the Education Committee over the last couple of years. Senator Beyer, Senator Moore, other legislators have been introducing bills that deal with school bus legislation, not transportation as an education policy, but the type of training that bus drivers ought to have, how school buses, whether they ought to be used for purposes other than transporting kids back and forth to school. Those have been referred to the Education Committee because they fall in a narrow statutory portion of the statutes that is within the Education Committee's jurisdiction. Those bills have no more business being in the Education Committee than the man in the moon does. Those are transportation issues. Those are issues that Senator Lamb and his committee have developed the expertise in working with. They have the expertise on their staff to understand safety requirements, public service committee sorts of requirements. They ought to go over to the Transportation Committee, not be in the Education Committee. Likewise, a bill like this that deals with how kids move from one school district to another ought to be referred to the Education Committee and I am going to vote to have it rereferred. It will not be the end of the session. The institutions of the Legislature will not crumble...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR WITHEM: ...if this bill does not get rereferred, but I think it is the proper place for it. I know Senator Warner feels that both of these bills deal with planning and land use. I really don't think this one does. I think he can argue that his does, and his probably ought not to have been in front of our committee. It is a little late now, probably, but his probably ought not to have been there. This one does deal with education policy and where kids ought to be going to school. For that reason, I am going to support Senator McFarland's motion.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Warner, followed by Senator McFarland.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, obviously, I suppose anything I say on this is suspect in the fact that the bulk of the area that is affected by Senator McFarland's bill would lie in the 25th Legislative District, perhaps almost in its entirety, but not quite, but that is not my reason for rising. Reference has been made to