

speaking the language that would have been used on the earth prior to the Tower of Babel, that was his belief. Now remember this is thirteenth century, so you can't think a lot of the scientific method of use here, but he brought these children in and they were pampered and cared for. That is to say, they were fed, warmed and cared for, but with two instructions, first, they were never to be spoken to and, secondly, they were never to be nurtured, picked up, held and talked to. They were to be kept in absolute perfect shape, if you will, but without any human contact to make sure that this opportunity to discover the first language would occur. The king started the experiment, and at the end of the year when it came time for children to speak, asked for a report because he was going to make his name in the catholic world by establishing this important biblical fact. He was surprised to learn that all of the 20 children had perished even though they had been cared for, fed and warmed. We know this today as what is called the failure to thrive syndrome, that is to say if there is no bonding to a parent, the child physically does not respond and grow. From that story I think it is critical to remember how important a child's well-being is in their relationship to a parent. It is far more critical than any of us can imagine. If you take that one step beyond just the infant and you go on then to the relationship of the parent to the child, we know, we know from psychological studies that the well-being of children, how they respond to authority and how they feel about themselves, which are lifelong characteristics, are determined by their relationship with their parents more than anybody else. If that relationship goes wrong, the costs are devastating. Take a look at any analysis of criminal behavior and there are two clear predictors of criminal behavior and they are child abuse in the home and drug or alcohol abuse in the home. Those two characteristics run an extraordinarily high percentage of the state pen when you examine those situations. Now, ask yourself, what, what is more important for us to spend money on than the avoidance of a Charles Starkweather, a John Joubert, a Michael Ryan, a Charles Erwin Simants because that is what this bill is about. You may not see it for anything other than a \$3 million A bill, but this bill is the biggest single opportunity we have to stem criminal and antisocial behavior in young people a generation from now. Child abuse and alcohol abuse in the home are the two greatest determinants of antisocial behavior by children that we know of in all of our scientific studies. You can build a million buildings on any campus on this state, you can put money into telecommunications courses that are done by satellite and the