

impressive job and makes our job I guess, or my job as introducer of this bill, quite easy that I can defer to Senator Beck and she can give us the background. And I know she has worked very hard on it, and then with the support of Diane Wolf and her coalition, I feel a little bit like, you know, the outfielder that never gets hit a fly ball. It really makes it quite easy for me. It is a wonderful proposal, and as Senator Schellpeper said, his committee and Senator Lamb's committee I think tried to put out a bill that they could support and I appreciate that. It is somewhat of a modest proposal, Senator Crosby, though I think it is a good start in the area of, certainly in the area of education of these in this area. And so with that...I am sure Senator Beck has her light on, and I would ask her to give the detailed background of the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Beck.

SENATOR BECK: Thank you, Mr. President, and members of the body. I would just urge again that this bill be passed and I want to tell you why. Ours is a very weak law for our children, and what does it matter if we continue to agonize over the various kinds of funding for schools and for educational proposals and for gifted children and all of these other programs so that our children can have an equal educational opportunity, a better educational opportunity, when we deny, when we are denying the safest environment in our autos for our children? And this is a modest proposal but it would save a lot of children's injuries and give them an equal chance at life, because when a small child is in a car accident and is only belted, which is what our law does after one year, a child's body is built in such a way that it is heavier on the top. The top of the body flies forward, the child...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Beck.

SENATOR BECK: Yes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Please, (gavel).

SENATOR BECK: Okay, shall we go on. I will go fast. I can really talk fast, Senator Barrett, and I will because I know it is Friday afternoon, and all I am hoping for is that this bill, my priority bill and the priority bill of a number of organizations really in this state gets through. And I will do