

in this form, not on this bill, not at this time. I would yield the balance of my time to Senator Labeledz.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Byars, I appreciate the fact that you relinquish some of my (sic) time and for your words of encouragement that you will support LB 346 in the future, if it should ever come up again. I respect each and every one of you on this floor. And I know that many of you that are supporting LB 1059 have come up to me privately in the last couple, two or three weeks saying that they will support tuition tax credit on an amendment to any other bill or to LB 346, but they don't want it on LB 1059, and I can understand that. I'm sure that the parents of the children that go to the private schools, the accredited private schools, will be terribly disappointed that I am withdrawing the amendment to LB 1059, because I feel that it should be here inasmuch as you're asking us to pay an additional sales tax and income tax. I cannot and will not support LB 1059 until we recognize the fact that the parents of the children that go to private schools should have some relief also, because you have to remember, they have been paying the high property tax now for as many years as we've had it. Way back in '67 and '68, I've said it many times, I worked for the Department of Revenue. We promised them, at that time, property tax relief. But I think it is the wrong way to go on LB 1059 to increase the sales and income tax at such an enormous amount and not give any tuition credit, tax credit to the private school, to the parents of the private school children. I respectfully ask to withdraw the amendment, only because I respect everyone on the floor that is a co-sponsor of LB 1059. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I had was by Senator Hall who is excused until he arrives.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Next amendment, please.

CLERK: I had a second amendment from Senator Hall, Mr. President. The next amendment I have is by Senator Warner. I have a note on this one, Mr. President. Senator Warner is excused until he arrives, but I have a note that he wished to withdraw.