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envison as the intent of the Legislature versus what was done by the Department of Education. Coincidentally, Friday of this week I have a bill that repeals an amendment that I had enacted on a bill because the Department of Education chose to enforce that legislation that we passed in a fashion contrary to that which was established via the intent of the Legislature, so I am aware of the concern. What I would suggest that we do, nobody seems to have any concern at all with the thrust of the bill, that we go ahead, we advance this bill on to Select File and that in the meantime Senator Chambers, you and I and Senator Bernard-Stevens and if we can find a room big enough to let Senator Robinson join us also, we could sit down, we could sit down with some of the folks from the State Department of Education, Commissioner Lutjeharms and people that he indicates and get a better sense of how they plan on implementing and promulgating the rules and regulations so that these questions can be addressed maybe a little better on Select File. Senator Chambers, I'll give you the rest of my time to let you respond to that idea.

SPEAKER BAACK: There are two minutes, Senator Chambers, if you wish to...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I agree with what Senator Withem has suggested and I think it would clear the air and maybe give assurances to everybody who might have a question on any aspect of the bill because there is no attempt here to snooker anybody. I want people to thoroughly understand what it is we're doing and make sure when we vote that we know what it is that we're voting for.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Robinson, you're next.

SENATOR ROBINSON: I...Mr. President, members of the body, I think Senator Withem has come up with a good idea and I think there are a lot of rooms in here that I could probably get...I could probably squeeze in sideways some way or another. But he talks about general concepts. Well, there are a lot of real specific things written here and I think we really have to address the part of loss of accreditation status and there are some others there. I think we really have to come to grips with this, these certain areas, before the bill comes up on Select File. And I would close by saying we should get together and iron these out, move it on and then we'll discuss it. Thank