

construction levy that they could exceed their lids or limit only to the extent mandated by federal and state statutes and regulations. As you know, currently that in no effect allows them to change in their operating levy or the limits on their operating levy but it would apply in this restricted area of their construction levy in order that they could comply with these mandates. As you know, the mandates for disability must be accomplished under existing federal act by January 26, 1995 and this extends the same responsibility also to the community colleges which are subject to the same kinds of conditions and also have a maximum construction levy that they can levy but not necessarily just for this purpose and with this purpose they could also exceed the lid for that construction levy in order to meet those mandates for which they have no, in fact, have no option. So I would move adoption of the amendment. Be glad to explain the bill further if there are questions.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, these are bills again heard before the Education Committee. One of them, as a matter of fact, this is the second year that it's been around. There was a glitch in the statutes regarding the payment of school board members' expenses. This is a provision to deal with...to deal with that. The other provision is one dealing with...it actually began several years ago as a special fund for asbestos removal, special levy for asbestos removal. It grew then into other environmental hazards and now it is...Senator Warner is proposing that it also be able to deal with ADA cases. In a very general sense, this is becoming kind of a building levy fund to deal with all of these mandated types of federal programs and they all do fit together and in both cases the Education Committee felt that these were worthy pieces of legislation. As a matter of fact, I think one or both might even have Speaker priority status. And so there's...we heard little or no controversy and I certainly plan on supporting them.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Nelson, you're next.

SENATOR NELSON: Gosh, I didn't know my light was on and Senator Chizek hasn't been around, so I'm not sure, maybe Kate did it. I'm not sure who did it, but I do support these bills and this is another one that germaneness is stretched clear to the end. But that's the only way we can get this cleared up real fast, so