

his, in 1250, it was my priority bill, it was his bill, it was my priority bill, I always stood up and supported the idea about the alternative classrooms. I thought that we were going to get to that on this bill, and he and I had had that dialogue...

SENATOR CROSBY: I heard what you said earlier, yeah.

SENATOR BOHLKE: But, no, I...it is a concern of mine. It is in 1250. It is not there, I guess, in a...

SENATOR CROSBY: Well, as Chairman of Education, I know you have a lot of studies and things. I really wish that someone would look at that because...

SENATOR BOHLKE: And I think we will, for sure, be coming back to that point whether we...

SENATOR CROSBY: Because...

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...pass this bill or not.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...whether they bring guns to school, whether they sass the teacher, whether they are having any other kind of behavior problems, we still need to educate them, and just passing them along to another grade, I don't see where that serves the child nor the educational system. We ask, why can't Johnny read? Well, maybe that's part of the problem, because they are not...they don't get the continuing tutoring, at least, that they should have. So if you have a study, or if I can help, I would like to because I'm really...I've found I've learned a lot more the last couple of years about that here in Lincoln, and I just think it's a bad practice. So go ahead.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Senator Crosby, and that's why I...what I tried to point out. Like I said, I support Senator Withem's, have always been a long...staunch supporter of the alternative classrooms because I think we can do creative things with that.

SENATOR CROSBY: Yes, right, we've got to figure out...

SENATOR BOHLKE: I don't think it necessarily has to be a classroom and a teacher. I mean, I think it could be a work experience. But also the reason why Johnny can't read could often be if we lose the Chapter I funding, and that is what concerns me here.