

reform package. With that, I will let Senator Pirsch, if you would like any remainder of the time, I would give that to you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Pirsch, would you desire some time?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes. As you will remember, colleagues, LB 658 is...does contain these provisions right now and the agreement was that they would become an amendment to 455, since they fit so well, and we would again try to save the state some money on 658 and amend the guns in school law.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Pirsch. Senator Bohlke, did you relinquish all of your time or...so that.... You've heard the opening then on that particular division. Mr. Clerk, there's an amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first amendment to this component is offered by Senator Lindsay. Senator Lindsay is excused until he arrives, Mr. President.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: We'll pass over that one for the time being. Is anyone authorized to carry that amendment, first of all? Seeing none, we will pass over that amendment. Any other amendments on the desk?

CLERK: Senator Dierks would move to amend this component, Mr. President.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Dierks.

CLERK: Senator, I have AM2464 in front of me. (Dierks amendment appears on pages 2445-47 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. This amendment that I'm having put out, distributed right now is the one that would extend the family cap provisions for two years, it would make it effective on June...or July 1st of 1997. The amendment has been drafted to floor amendment number one, which we're dealing with right now. And the language that's changed says that a recipient family may be required to contribute up to 20 percent of such family's gross income for child care. That was a provision that was already changed prior to this amendment. For the other new language it describes or, for purposes of this section, it describes extreme hardship,