

expended this money did so, do you think they spent it with the expectation of being reimbursed?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, no, I do not.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I do not think they spent it with the expectation of being reimbursed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And because my time is short and that's the answer I knew would have to be given. If we had an ideal world, all parents would treat their children properly. They would not abuse them, they would not neglect them. But there are parents who abuse and neglect their children so the state steps in to protect those children. Every school district, if it has the capability, should do the right thing toward its pupils and if they don't, then the state has a responsibility to step in and help those children. In the same way that we protect natural children from irresponsible, abusive parents, we have to protect school children from irresponsible school administrators. So to me it's a question of saying, what would we like to see as opposed to what we're actually dealing with? What we're dealing with is something other than maybe what we'd like to see, so as a state we have to step in and do something about it, and that's why I'm going to oppose the amendment and I'm going to support the bill. But I have to take a moment here because we're in the last few hours of the session and I like to gloat, as you all know. When there are issues of concern to me, what do I do? I stop the body, I force debate, I talk and talk and talk and sometimes some of you will catch on, sometimes I can get an amendment. The rest of you, in trying to be nice, namby-pamby, going along to get along, let things scoot across the board, then it comes to the last moment and then you say, wait, stop, there wasn't enough time to debate it before. We went too quickly, we should have talked about it. I agree. You should have talked about it. You should learn from my example. We're not here primarily to make friends. We're here to legislate in a deliberative and responsible way. In one sense perhaps I'm not as quick as the rest of you and that's why it's necessary for me to have extended debate, to take time on those important issues at the time they come before us. So I have no opposition to anybody at any stage saying, I think more time is needed to consider this. That to me is being responsible, but it also gives me the opportunity to gloat, to