

the programs that are being set up in a lot of the juvenile service areas. So this is not a very big amendment. It's mostly just to clarify what we're asking. I believe what we asking is for the alternative schools to set up educational programs, not rehabilitative programs, and by striking this language that will be very clear and I would ask for your support of this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Abboud? Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, Madam President, members of the body, I don't think it makes a lot of difference. I may, in fact, vote for the Witek amendment. As I read the language, the language "for rehabilitation of the student" may in fact have been superfluous language and not necessary. I think the language that remains, "As a condition of such suspended action, the school district may assign the student to a school, class, or educational program which the school district deems appropriate," I think that probably is okay and I'm not going to object to the amendment. And the reason I'm speaking on this is I think this is probably language that was included in the discipline bill that passed a couple of years ago, wasn't even part of the mandated alternative education language. Believe this came out of the bill which Senator Bohlke and I sponsored a couple of years ago and I don't think striking this language does any damage to the intent of the bill. Frankly, I don't think it would do any damage to leave it in either, but if it makes the members of the State Board of Education feel more comfortable with that language out, I'm all for them feeling more comfortable so I will vote for the amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Withem. Is there any further discussion of the Witek amendment? Seeing none, Senator Witek to close. Closing is waived. The question before you is the adoption of the Witek amendment to LB 1050. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 2 nays on adoption of Senator Witek's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Witek amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Senator Bromm would move to amend the bill.