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Hazelwood case before the U.S. Supreme Court, in 1988, which stated that high school students are not entitled to the same freedom of expression as adults. I guess, you know, my comments are that we all have to live under rules. And, you know, if it's the rules that we're having the problem with or the expression, I'm...I'm a little bit "complexed" by what we are trying to...and some of the wording also that we have in the amendment that I might have you further explain. On page 1, line 10, Senator Beutler, if I could have your attention.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time, time.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Beutler, would you answer a question? Have you heard that there were, prior to the day at this time, on the floor, any concerns from school boards or school superintendents with the amendment that's been out there since last year?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, to my knowledge, Senator, nobody has contacted my office. In fact, the administrators didn't even testify against the original green copy, according to the committee statement.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Senator Wickersham, you're on the Education Committee. Have you had anyone contact you with concerns with the amendment that the committee adopted last year, either school administrators or school board representatives?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes, yes.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Okay. And was theirs to the amendment, amended version, or to the original bill?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator, I couldn't honestly tell you. It