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in that case, the default would be the policy in the bill, which...and I take it that policy would not allow me to arbitrarily decide not to...well, not arbitrarily, for reasons that I deemed...

SENATOR BEUTLER: No.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I have been not in support of this issue for the time that it's been around, from the public hearing that we had in Education Committee, last year, and I don't think that is any secret. From time to time throughout the course of my career here I've been called to speak to schools. And one of the types of classes that is at the same time both the most favorite and the least favorite class to speak to are twelfth graders, seniors, because if any of you remember being a senior, and I certainly do, that was the only time in my life when I absolutely knew everything that there was to know, and was not really interested in knowing anything other than when graduation date was. Well, there were a couple other things, but they really didn't relate to school. And generally the message I share is simply this--that hopefully our school system and our...through the input of our society has, by the time they were in the sixth grade, caused them to know or helped them to know all of the things that they needed to know to look after themselves for the rest of their life. They could tie their shoes; hopefully they could count to ten, they could read Dick and Jane and all of those things that are important, and that the rest of the education, from the sixth grade on through the twelfth grade, was designed to help them to become two things--one, to achieve to whatever talents that they had personally themselves both to discover and expand upon. And the other was to learn to be responsible citizens, members of a society, contributing people to the world. And I think it's true for probably more than several members of the Legislature,