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those boards will set will hinge on what is actually expressed in Section 2. And I would like to have you look at that. It says, "The Legislature finds that the public policy of the state is best served if students attending public high schools have the opportunity to express themselves freely". Senator Beutler, could you explain that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes. I think this is the very same conversation I had with Senator Bromm. The findings section of any piece of legislation is not the binding section and has no effect on any other section of the bill that's operative, so long as that section is clear. The other section is clear. It says that the school board can make any publication code that it wants. In my discussion with Senator Bromm, I also indicated that if somebody was troubled by findings language, I would certainly be willing to eliminate it.

SENATOR STUHR: Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Because that particular findings language was designed to express the desire of the Legislature, it doesn't say you shall but you ought to, the desire of the Legislature to encourage the school board to adopt as broad a latitude of freedom of speech as is...as they consider to be appropriate; encouraging them to move in that direction, but not binding them to do anything.

SENATOR STUHR: I believe it is somewhat unclear, because it does say that "The Legislature then further finds that school boards within the state that adopt publication codes, pursuant to Section 6 of this act, ought to adopt such that are consistent". So you're saying that it doesn't say "shall", but you know, that's kind of a fine line, consistent with the maximum appropriate freedom of expression for students. And, I guess, that's what is a little bit unclear. These are only guidelines, that the school does not have to adopt them according to this, you know, what you have set out in Section 2. Is that what...is that what we're saying?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I'm not sure I understood the last