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often carries on. And it is hard to assess in those first two or three years, but it can even be carried on until when they are in middle school or junior high. I did want to also say I very much support and do support Senator Redfield's bill. Because I believe that it is good to have a state policy that sends a message that we do want students to graduate. And I believe that it changes the mind-set of possibly those students who might be thinking about dropping out at the age of 16. And we are now saying that you must be 18 or have some graduation, and that might be to attend an alternative school. And I think that was also a very good point, that years ago we did not have the alternative schools. And I know we have one in our local area, and it is wonderful to see students there. Those students are very bright students, but sometimes they learn in different ways, they learn...and they just need a different environment to be able to complete their high school education. I was interested in Senator Chambers' remarks. I believe he...Senator Chambers, you're just a very exceptional person, to have started...and some of the remarks that you made. There are some children that can begin kindergarten at age four. But usually, as we said, there has been the tendency that they may...

SENATOR JANSSEN PRESIDING

SENATOR JANSSEN: One minute.

SENATOR STUHR: ...they may appear that they're ready, but as the years go by, that socially and emotionally and physically they are not ready to accept those responsibilities that come with going to school. So I think that we all agree that society has changed. And that's why I think that we're looking at this larger gap. Parents are red shirting, or as I said earlier, "red diapering" some of their children, so that they are larger in stature (sic), bigger, and so that they compete in sports, can compete in sports in their later years. And I'm not sure that that is the best thing. And when...and in our entire discussion, I think, all we...we do want to just concentrate on that child and what is best for that child. Thank you.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Your time was up anyway. Senator Loudon.