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                          LR 10  
                          17, 20, 26, 30, 32, 47, 111

amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Beutler amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

CLERK: Madam President, a series of amendment so LR...well, I should say amendments by Senator Withem to LR 47, (LR) 30, (LR) 26, (LR) 10, (LR) 17, (LR) 20, (LR) 32. Senator Chambers has amendments to LB 280; Senator Will to (LB) 627; Senator Wickersham to (LB) 624. New A bill. (Read LB 853A and LB 835A by title for the first time.) LR 111 by Senator Wesely. (Read brief summary.) Education reports (LB) 267 indefinitely postponed. (See pages 1413-20 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Peterson would move to amend the bill. (FA147 appears on page 1420 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Peterson to open on her amendment.

SENATOR C. PETERSON: Madam President, members of the Legislature. I direct your attention...probably the best place is on page 5, though I'll possible skip around a little bit, but I think we have to first ask ourselves, what are we trying to accomplish with this bill? And one of the goals, obviously, is to reduce prison overcrowding, but I believe that it's very important with this program that we also help the people who have the best chance of being rehabilitated. I stated earlier, the beginning of the afternoon, that my goal would be if this program was limited to juveniles. I'm not sure that I have a possibility of doing that, but I would like to continue to try to redefine this bill and clarify what we are going to provide to people who are in the incarceration work camp. I don't really want superbly conditioned prisoners, and I certainly don't want younger, newer offenders learning the ropes from people who know the system very well. I want to be able to provide the best means of rehabilitation possible to the people who qualify for this program. A major component that we have read and heard about on the floor of any work camp proposal has to do with the training that they receive while they are in the