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like this. Certainly Stuhr... Senator Stuhr is very sincere in what she's doing in trying to support vocational education, and I know that there are many out here that are supporting her. Otherwise, this bill wouldn't have gotten that far. But there are serious doubts in here about whether this bill ought to go forward. I'm hopeful the 3.2 million one-time injection would be a help and not a hindrance to the program. And if there is reason to go into the future, we can face that at another time, but in the meantime there is an injection of money out of this fund, for what it... it's a very legitimate use for it. It saves money for the future in that fund for granting and hopefully it will provide some serious help for this particular program in those schools that want to use it. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the opening. Before we move to debate on the amendment, Senator Hartnett is proud to announce he has the following guests visiting the Legislature this morning. They are 64 fourth students from Two Springs Elementary in Bellevue. Their teachers are Maria Tyrrell, Chris Thompson, and Jackie Bourne. Jackie is a sister of Senator Pat Bourne, and they are in the north balcony. Would you please rise and be welcomed by your Legislature. Items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, amendments to be printed: Senator Vrtiska to (LB) 216; Senator Bourne to (LB) 175. I have a Reference report.

Mr. President, your Committee on Transportation reports LB 496 to General File with amendments. Mr. President, LR 29 has been reported correctly enrolled. (See pages 1148-1157 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LR 29. Debate on the Wehrbein amendment? Senator Wehrbein, you're recognized to close on your amendment.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, thank you, Mr. President and members. So much for good debate on my amendment. (Laugh) Probably I'd be wise to withdraw it, but I don't think I will. I was serious