

vision be put into the statutes. Senator Johnson assured us that the only intent of this bill is a study. That is the only intent. So I think we ought to study this provision also. You know we hear stories of generations of people on welfare. They know no other system and I think our system is breaking down when this is allowed to happen. You know I am reminded of the old saying, rather than give a man a fish, teach him how to fish and then we won't have to give him a fish because he will know how to provide for himself. I have empathy for people for a lot of reasons through no fault of their own that are disadvantaged economically and I personally want to help those people but I also am concerned and do not have empathy for people who could help themselves but are unwilling to because there is no reason for them to do so. Now I have excepted some people out of this amendment. I think there is good social policy for an instance of a disabled person, a disadvantaged person physically, whether it be blind or some reason like that, for a widow or a single spouse with dependent children at home, these people are exempted but ablebodied people who can be employed should have to work before they receive these kind of payments. They should make their contribution to the productivity of this country just as those people who are paying these benefits are making that contribution. In my opinion those who are providing, those who are earning, are becoming a small percentage of the people in our society and the burden is getting heavy and I think we need to make every attempt to help those taxpayers who are now gainfully employed, who are now working also carry a portion of the burden.

PRESIDENT: Now, there is an amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Marsh moves to amend the Dworak amendment: In Line 21, strike all the new matter after the word government and insert a period in place of the comma.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President, if Senator Dworak's amendment is adopted, I see no reason that we should guarantee that employers do not have to abide by proper rules and regulations for dismissing people from work. His would allow them, would allow an employer to capriciously dump someone after their services had been used without a reason. That is not fair to treat anyone, any individual, who is employed. Why should we give to employers a specific category to misuse persons who originally had been on welfare and who chose to work to get off of welfare. I move that we amend Senator Dworak's on page 329 by inserting a period after government on line 21 and striking the balance of the sentence.