

to deal with this issue then we hadn't ought to be dealing with it, but if we want to say we're going to put it up for a study, then we're just admitting that we're scared and we're admitting we don't want to deal with it and we're admitting that, yeah, government doesn't have guts to face up to some of the things that we should do sometimes. I've heard a lot of talk in here today about how we ought to fund education from a different source. I've only been in this body seven years and every one of those years I've been in here I've introduced a bill to do that. So far it hasn't caught on too great. I hear many people today that have opposed me in the past who are saying, yeah, we ought to shift from property to another source of income, sales or income tax, another method to support education. I couldn't agree more since I have tried to do that for seven years. But you know one of the simple facts of the matter is we're attempting to deal with a problem that we've got apples and oranges out there and we're going to have to make everybody apples before we can start dealing with how we're going to fund them. I think it is that fundamental, number one. Number two, I believe we do require a high school education anymore. You know, Senator Barrett made some nice remarks about history and about the way this government, about the way the system originated. I would remind you that it made sense in those days. My father had a sixth grade education and that was about all that was required back then. But we require more than that now and if we're going to make sense out of our system then it occurs to me we ought to say, yeah, we're going to bite the bullet, we're going to do these things, we're going to make K-12's and, yeah, we're going to do what we can to protect those attendance centers. I suggest that this body show a little backbone regardless of which way you want to go, whether we do it or whether we don't, but let's do it and let's not send it back to a committee and then kill it by way of study. I think that's the coward's way out and I, for one, don't agree with that. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Marsh, I made a mistake in checking the list here and Senator Remmers should appear before you and I apologize for it. It is my mistake. Senator Remmers, then Senator Marsh, then Senator Landis, then Senator Beutler.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I want to give a real example. I'm not particularly