

the time I'm as gray as some members of the body we'll have to start the technical community colleges all over again because it seems like the university is wanting to be ivy league, state colleges want to be university, community colleges want to be state colleges and we're going to have to start all over again at the bottom. I guess I'd just as soon not go down that path and in the meantime try and keep those vocational community colleges on course. I think this amendment goes a long ways towards directing that behavior in the proper direction and rewarding a community college area that spends its time, money and resources and sets as its highest priority the vocational area. And with that I'd rise in strong support of Senator Hillman's amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Withem, on the Hillman amendment.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, I was just looking at the rules here and I'm quite certain this is within my prerogative at this particular point. I would like to withdraw AM1295.

SENATOR CROSBY: Mr. Clerk. Just a moment, Senator Withem. Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Madam Speaker, members, at this time I would withdraw the amendment to amend on Senator Withem's.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Hillman. The motion is to withdraw Senator Hillman's amendment. No objection, so ordered. And the next motion is for Senator Withem to withdraw his amendment, number 1295. No objections, so ordered. The amendment is withdrawn. There is nothing further on the bill. Is there any discussion on LB 239, it's the bill? Seeing none, Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: What I would, since we've gone through this, I think we've had a healthy discussion. I will tell you that the other thing that we are going to look at trying to implement is an interim study of looking at the funding formulas and the funding levels that comes to community colleges and how we can best, as a state, work with them and with our businesses throughout the state to get the type of training that we feel and education that is needed there and to look at the cost and expense of vocational training and how we can best assist the community colleges to do that. So what we will do is, during