

and it says that full-time participation will be required when the minor parent graduates from high school, receives his or her GED diploma or the minor parent reaches 19 years of age. But that section doesn't really relate all those factors and let me ask you by means of example, perhaps we can get to how they do relate. But if you have a minor parent who chooses not to go to high school or who chooses not to participate in their...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...GED, in pursuit of their GED, does that mean the minor parent can sit there till they're 19 doing nothing?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: No, Senator. It is my understanding that their arrangement with the state is that they agree to participate in some educational program that will take them either to the high school diploma or the GED. Rather than saying they have to be out involved in a job search or employment or the other kinds of things that we require of adults for full participation, their full participation requirement is in the context of getting their high school diploma or GED.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I understand that, but this paragraph seems to say that full participation, whatever that is, doesn't have to occur or begin until one of these three things happens.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Senator, and...you're correct and the way we have written the bill is that full participation is defined in the terms of such things, I think there are four things...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: ...job...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Rasmussen, thank you, Madam President, members of the body, Senator Rasmussen, if you'd like to finish the answer to that question I'd give you some of my time.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. We defined full participation or participation as engagement in I believe four activities and I haven't whipped it out here yet, but it's