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about," Ross told Graves. Graves repeated his statement. "I do not know if they could teach Hateism, I mean Satanism," Ross responded.

Graves debated in opposition to Ross's amendment. "Our country was founded on the religion of Christianity," he said.

Rep. Mike O'Neal, R-Enid, also debated in opposition to the amendment. "Don't we talk about other religions already in the Bible," he told Ross. "We talk about Pagans and Jews."

Ross debated in favor of his amendment. "I am not against the Bible," Ross explained that he wanted to give every religion a chance. "It would be a nightmare for humanity, if you (House members) do not give this to the little people who cannot scream for themselves," Ross said.

Floor substitute for HB2268, the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, authored by Rep. James Bryant, R-Tulsa, passed 62 to 37. Several sections of the bill were codified to ensure Federal funds for school lunches, limit the number of charter schools operating in the state to 15 per year, allow for appeals to be directed through local school boards and limit enrollment to the charter school's district.

HOUSE BILLS MOVE FROM SENATE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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■(GIT) The Senate Human Resources Committee met Thursday, moving its first set of House bills this session.

HB1066, by Rep. Al Sadler, D-Ardmore, would expand the definition of "licensed mental health professional" to include licensed marital and family therapist. A committee substitute, the measure received a vote of 8 to 2 after having its title stricken.

HB2243, by Rep. Wayne Cozort, R-Tulsa, allows the use of physical force under certain circumstances in an institution that houses a minor. The committee substitute received a vote of 8 to 0.

HB2385, by Rep. Mark Seikel, D-Harrah, requires confidentiality for review of ethical complaints for determining qualified corporations. With a vote of 10 to 0, the measure passed.

HB2438, by Rep. Joe Eddins, D-Vinita, allows administrators of ICF-MR/16 facilities to supervise more than one facility providing those facilities are within a 20 mile radius. A committee substitute with a stricken title, the measure received a vote of 10 to 0.

HB2478, by Rep. Betty Boyd, D-Tulsa, received a vote of 10 to 1, passing it out of committee. The bill creates the Genetic Privacy Nondiscrimination Act, relating to genetic testing. The bill was amended, requiring the State Insurance Commissioner to consult with the State Commissioner of Health in related matters. A committee substitute, the bill also had its title stricken.

HB2003, CS HB2348, CS HB2391, CS HB2574 and HB2648 were all laid over.

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON TOBACCO AND YOUTH DISCUSSES OPTIONS

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■(GIT) The Governor's Task Force on Tobacco and Youth met Thursday to continue discussions about possible options to keep tobacco out of the reach of Oklahoma's youth.

The meeting was opened with discussion regarding increased State-Level Enforcement by the Oklahoma ABLE Commission. The Task Force has proposed a resolution that would give the ABLE Commission more manpower to enforce tobacco related crimes.

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