Bill to curb court power over local schools

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The purpose of the bill which I have introduced is to keep the control of school matters where they should be—in the States and the school districts where the problems exist.

The Supreme Court recognized in its decision of May 17th, 1954, the large variety of local conditions to which the decision must be applied. It would be impossible for the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court itself to handle the details of these matters.

Therefore, because schools are a primary responsibility of the local community and the States in which they are operated, the legal questions concerning the schools should be decided by Courts where the judges know the local problems.

This provision would strengthen the decisions of the District Courts and the school authorities in dealing with these vital school matters.