

I thought we had that on hand.

SENATOR DWORAK: Before we adopt an amendment like this having looked at the distribution formula that Senator Koch had passed out previously, it would be pretty difficult to support an amendment that is going to change that formula, and when I look at the school districts that I represent which are some more populace and some sparsely populated, it seems to me it would be difficult for me to support an amendment without seeing exactly the ramifications to my district.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Oh, I think you can break down and do that, Senator Dworak.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I have two amendments that I listed in the Journal. If the Clerk will read those, we will dispose of those before we get into the content of the bill. Oh, we still haven't. I am sorry.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: We are still on the committee amendments, Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, to explain the question of Senator Dworak.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Yes, proceed.

SENATOR KOCH: This provision that was offered by Senator Lamb, as Senator Lewis mentioned a moment ago, will do nothing more than allow certain school districts in western Nebraska, particularly, to be eligible for some transportation reimbursement. The amount that would be involved is difficult to ascertain at this time because it falls in the equalization section, Senator Dworak. And visiting with the finance officer of the State Department of Education, we felt that it was not worth the run on the computer to make this determination because in their estimation and in mine, the amount did not measurably alter the fund in its totality. I ask for the adoption of that amendment. I think it is important to this bill.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I might explain further what this amendment does. You take a specific situation of a county that has one good sized town in it, Senator Dworak. If you have one big town in a county, that can throw the whole county out of the sparsity part of the formula and that is unfair since you may have a number of districts in that county which considering their own boundaries, their own area, do qualify for the sparsity money. So having one large town throwing out the whole county does not...is not fair and this amendment should be on the state aid bill that we already have, whether or not LB 33 passes or not. The amendment I have proposed should be on any state aid bill which is enacted because it is not fair to those school districts which within their own boundaries are sparsely populated. However, they are thrown out of the