

impacts of added valuations school district by school district. What we can do about that, there is a multitude of policy choices that individual members may want to bring forward. I would not propose any at this time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, thank you, Senator Withem. I will probably support the amendment because of the many reasons given here on the floor, but I want to just make it clear that, as Senator Withem has pointed out, there will be a continuing source of revelations as the scenario unfolds, and any school district which thinks that they are going to be free and clear, I guess, will find later on that maybe they are not. I do not know the extent of the hold harmless, whether the hold harmless addresses the revenue that might be lost from LB 1063 or not. I think the entire issue is, of course, going to be debated for many, many years. Next year we will be back here again, the City of Lincoln, the Lincoln School Districts, did not benefit as they had expected from the passage of 1059, and whether or not they can live with this remains to be seen, I guess. My concern is that with a limited or finite amount of money there will always be the scramble, and if we have just a limited amount of money, and some gain and some are going to lose, I guess we have to recognize that until we fully fund 1059, then we have not fulfilled our commitment to the school districts. We have really made a hollow promise and, as I understand, we are still less than 50 percent of the way to the goal of funding of 1059. If someone wants to comment about that, I think it would be very informative. It is easy on this floor to enact legislation which we all agree has the best of intentions, but when it comes to making the money available, then, of course, we run into a considerable number of roadblocks. Senator Lynch has touched upon that. Senator Withem, of course, is familiar with it. Senator Moore and the Appropriations Committee are very...

SENATOR CONWAY: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...familiar with it, but unless we recognize as of now that this proposal here is not the last word, that it will continue to be a problem for us, and that individual school districts will always have to struggle, and there will be continued pressures from unknown elements at the present time and in the future that will have an adverse impact, and I think Senator Spencer Morrissey touched upon many other aspects of it. You are going to see increased cost of other governmental agencies because of the growth of the schools, and we have made