

look over here and nod yes or no, it's my understanding that this is General Fund only, that bond issues that are incurred for the benefit of only one school district, only those people pay the levy to support those.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR JONES: Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senators. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Madam President and members of the body, I, too, stand in opposition to bringing this bill back for consideration of the amendment. Nobody has really talked yet about why there is a possibility there could be a difference in the Class I levy. Evidently the needs are different and I...they now, with the existing statutes, contribute to the high school education. There is no problem with that. Every Class I district within a Class VI contributes to the education of the Class VI high school but their needs are different. They don't have the same needs. One district from one area in the Class VI district doesn't have the same needs. That's why there is a difference in the mill levy and the way that they can fund their education. I guess that I have problems too with the fact that we are bypassing a couple stages of debate here to bring this to Final Reading. In answer to one of the questions about Holt County having a school with no general, Class I General Fund levy, there's also no students in that school if you notice. That school will be forced to merge within a few years. There's another school there that has no fund levy. It has only two students. I suspect that that same thing will happen to them. I think there's a reason and the reason was put there in the first place for these Class VI's to exist was that these Class I's in the Class VI would have the right to establish a fund, a levy based on their needs and I think that's what we have to consider. So I hope that you will not support the motion to return and defeat that motion. I thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. I appreciate the comments of Senator Bromm and Senator Dierks about the spending levels that might pertain in Class I's if we adopt the common levy. In fact, one of my concerns is that if we adopt the common levy, and I'm not sure how it is working out in the