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SENATOR ROBINSON: ...from July, so we would have one year to provide any funding that we would see fit to provide, would that be a correct statement?

SENATOR BOHLKE: We would have next session, yes.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Well, what would be wrong with this? We have all this money we're talking about...

SENATOR BOHLKE: But we still don't know the rules and regs, Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay. Let me ask you this. The school boards, some of them have been talking about sending a student 35, 40 miles for an alternative-type education, which could cost them 10, 15 thousand dollars, and then a school... School A does that. Then we have School B that takes care of it some other way, but that student's parents want him sent or her sent to an alternative-type education. Now could they take them to court and say we want that alternative-type education just like School A provided? So this thing could really develop into a very expensive expenditure for the school districts in the state of Nebraska. Do you see what I'm saying?

SENATOR BOHLKE: I see what you are saying, Senator Robinson, and like I said, there has been a great deal of discussion on the rules and regs, how much flexibility schools will have, and to what extent they will have to offer a particular program, and that's why I'm saying until we know that, we really don't know the fiscal ramifications.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Would you support expenditures for alternative education? We do it for deaf education. We do it for a lot of different groups of people. Now I don't see this group of people being a lot different. There are people that are... will be thrown out in society, if we don't do something with them. So it seems to me we ought to provide some...

SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

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SENATOR ROBINSON: ...expenditures to help...to help take care