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percent higher.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Papillion is about twenty percent higher? I guess I just...

SENATOR LEWIS: Platteview, is, by the way one of the others that would be affected is lower.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, I just raise the question, I guess, of whether, and I will let you comment on it, Senator Lewis, whether the people who are voting in this annexed area, some of them will have children but a lot of them will not have children, of course, and are we really going to get to the best interest of the child with this kind of a rule. In other words, won't those people in the annexed area tend to vote for the lower mill levy regardless of where the best interest of the children may lay?

SENATOR LEWIS: I don't think so. First of all, because of the uniqueness of the Bellevue community, and particularly because of the uniqueness of this particular locale, I would say that there would be very few nonchildren houses. You see, the Bellevue population doesn't turn over because of the military, a forty year old guy replaces a forty year old guy. In other words, because, you know, there is not the continuous process of growing older simply because you transfer somebody out and somebody else comes in. I think one of the overriding issues in this whole area that we are talking about right now is that all of us are really involved in talking about the energy and gas and so forth. Some of these children live within a mile or two miles of a high school and yet the desire is because of that...the way that is organized they are on a bus for about seventeen miles one way. The parents, of course, if they attend high school activities...don't you think that is seventeen miles, Orv, from Leewood Oaks? Seven miles from Leewood Oaks to Papillion High School.

SENATOR KEYES: I don't know where Leewood Oaks is but I know where Papillion is and I know from Papillion to Bellevue, downtown Bellevue, is ten miles, ten miles to Gretna and six to Springfield.

SENATOR LEWIS: Then how far is it from Papillion on up to where the High School is? That is on the north part of town. I will tell you what, Senator Keyes, I will make you a bet it is in excess of twelve miles with ease from Leewood Oaks because it is about four miles to get to 370 from there. Anyway the purpose is is to allow those people to make a