

and I, for one, stated at that time that I would vote to move the bill to the floor but was not necessarily sure I could support that concept if we found that there was a great disparity in amount of money received by the people out in our state local government. When we finally began to get readouts and I'm not sure we have a complete one yet, I don't know, I guess we need to buy more computers or something. It is awful hard to get information out of the Revenue Department especially on short order. But we had no more than brought the bill out until people began to get figures. I think they got them more from the Education Department than they did perhaps from the Revenue Department. I'm not sure about that. We began to hear from county officials and we began to hear from school boards that in the general area that I represent and in the area that a lot of the rural senators represent, where there is not a large city or a large population, that the shortfall was going to be considerable and I'm not faulting Senator Carsten at all. He has worked so hard trying to get this put together but there isn't a senator in here that represents either rural or urban that would not be up here speaking if their community would receive one-third to one-half less than it did a year ago and I don't think we are being unreasonable at all in objecting to 816 the way it now stands. You couldn't go home and neither could I, can I, if we let this happen. I know I haven't come up with a better solution even though we have tried. I still think the bill that Senator Schmit has worked on on a revenue sharing basis is probably the long term answer to our problem but we do not have the time to work on that this year. Senator DeCamp has circulated letters that he has gotten from the Attorney General saying that he will not fight the distribution that we used last year and that we are taking our case to the Supreme Court to see if the Lancaster District Court ruling was correct. I happen to be one that doesn't think it is correct. I think that, I'm not an attorney, but I've talked to a good many people who are attorneys who can't figure out how you can tack the distribution onto a lot of target such as real estate taxes and have it be declared unconstitutional because it follows history or something else, or that the Attorney General or the court feels that perhaps we should dole it out on a needs basis rather than on any other basis. I didn't know it was a welfare program when we started out. So I cannot accept 816 as it is. I will not beat around the bush. Buffalo County...

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR KAHLE: ...of which I have a part of and the City of Kearney which we're part of that Kearney School District, will gain rather than lose from last year because of the