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their money is being impounded because of a pending court case in regard to what some people feel are excessive nonresident student tuition fees. This formula has been agreed to by those schools who receive those students and I believe for the first time this body will have a formula that all schools will follow in trying to decide what is the fairest way to support the high school education of students who attend these attendance centers. I ask for the adoption of this amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, just for the legislative record, I would like to have it be made crystal clear that the receiving district may charge any amount but not less than the per pupil cost. And that means that if they want to go below the amount determined by this formula, that is perfectly legitimate, that is okay, that is what Senator Koch and I have agreed upon. They can go down below this formula as long as they do not go below the per pupil cost. On the other end of the scale, if they go above per pupil cost, then they use the formula and they cannot go above 1.25 of what the formula calls for. This means that there will be...well, the original 895 amendment which we had on our desks at one other time was objectionable to me because the minimum set up under the formula in many cases is more than those districts are charging at this time, and so I objected to that because I do not think this Legislature should set that minimum when those districts are now willing to charge less than that and in some cases only the per pupil cost.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan. The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I think the issue being considered is serious and I believe it will be adopted as an amendment after the bill is returned, but I must speak about the procedure being used here this morning. And I want something categorically stated for the record. Last night when Senator Lamb was upheld in ruling some of my amendments germane... not germane, even when they were in the same chapter and very close to the same article being considered, I said the vote was against me. It was racism and I said when different people with different issues, meaning white people with white people's issues come, then that rule that the body voted on last night by majority was going to be overturned this morning. So I think the racism has been established

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