

Haberman. Any school could ask to participate.

SENATOR HABERMAN: A school has to request to participate in the program. Is that correct?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Well, we don't want to mandate this sort of thing.

SENATOR HABERMAN: No, but I'm asking, they have to ask?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Right, right. Although it's my understanding there has been a mailing given to all schools and they've been given the opportunity to respond, if they choose to. That's where the 68 came from.

SENATOR HABERMAN: What happens...you are basing this on 20,000 students, is that correct, participating in the program?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Somewhere here, Senator Haberman, I have the numbers.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, it says printing exams 20,000, so I'm assuming that you're counting on 20,000 students participating in the program.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: I believe that's correct.

SENATOR HABERMAN: That's in the fiscal note, Sandy.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: On my close, Senator Haberman, by the time I get to my close I will have found those numbers and confirm that that is, in fact, accurate, but I think it is.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I haven't either had time to count up the circles on your map to see if they come to 20,000 students. It kind of concerns me a little bit. Do you have any idea how many junior students there are in the state so we can see some idea of how far-reaching this program is?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: I don't think I've got that in front of me. Here we go, Senator Haberman. I'm finding it. The budget is prepared on the assumption that 20,000 juniors from 200 Nebraska high schools will participate in the JUMP Program during the 1989-90 school year.