

the local level, whatever salaries existed that were provided by Phase II money would not, I repeat, would not continue to be the responsibility of that school district. These are funds for salaries supplemental to whatever agreements the school boards make with the teachers. This amendment clarifies that the ongoing salary and responsibility for teachers, should Phase II money not exist any time in the future, would not be the responsibility of the school board to continue to provide. I am not sure how else to put it. I guess I tried to explain it as simply as I could, and that is simply all it does and all it is intended to do. I will try to answer any questions you might have.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Ashford, did you wish to speak on this amendment? All right. Senator Hefner, please, followed by Senator Warner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Lynch, or Mr. President and members of the body, I have a question for Senator Lynch.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lynch.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Lynch, okay, this takes effect 1989-1990 school year, the first phase, and the second phase takes effect 1990-1991. Okay, so more than likely these teachers will bargain for an increase this coming summer. Will that be carried through, if this bill passes, will that be carried through in both phases?

SENATOR LYNCH: Yes, this Phase II money, Senator Hefner, is a supplement to the school district to be used as they see fit for salaries. If, in fact, the school districts have been in the process of negotiation and bargaining and have, in fact, adopted contracts, I am assuming those were commitments made by the school district long before LB 89 came along, and that would be a separate commitment from LB 89 and Phase II.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay, to make it just a little more perfectly clear, say that some of these salaries in the first phase went over \$18,000, then they would not receive any money from the state pay-out for the first phase, is that correct, if their increase put them over the 18,000?

SENATOR LYNCH: The money received by teachers by negotiated contracts are not affected by or involve Phase II of this