that is that the money would go to the school district like that, supplant that money, but there is no statutory language in there that says it has to go to the teacher below \$18,000.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, I'm unclear as to where we're at in this bill at this time with the amendments as to whether we have a floor under all salaries or the way we allocated money if it's going to start with those that are making...at all wage levels or we simply bring those up to 18,000 and I guess I'm a little unclear as to what your amendment exactly will do as to the distribution of this. And so I guess I will listen to further discussion, perhaps I will get enlightened as time goes along as to exactly what we have in this bill with amendments as to the distribution of this potential money.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Nelson, please, followed by Senator Withem.

SENATOR NELSON: Yes, if Senator Moore would respond to a question. I believe I understand the bill now. You are striking in...actually the \$18,000 minimum...

SENATOR MOORE: Yes.

SENATOR NELSON: ...and we will let that fall where it may rather . . .

SENATOR MOORE: It would still distribute the money according to the formula in the bill.

SENATOR NELSON: That has been one of my problems all along in the bill. I say instead of let's having the taxpayers do this, all taxpayers, let's let the taxpayers within the certain districts, the Class I's that are not reaching anywhere near that level. I'm sure all of you know that \$1,000 increase in base then becomes up at the doctor's level or let's go the master's level with...becomes \$2,100. So let's talk apples and apples when we're talking that. Senator Moore, another question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Moore, will you respond?

SENATOR MOORE: Yes.

SENATOR NELSON: Do you honestly, in your amendment...and I