

year? It's still going to be in statute that the base salary, I mean, it says the minimum salary which is going to translate under the base salary is going to be \$18,000. Well, when that funding for that phase goes away, obviously, the school district is still going to be the one that has to pick up, you know, if that base salary is in there, the base salary has to be \$18,000 and when the state funding goes away it will be...you know, the local school district or we're going to come back in and fund Phase II of the more increased method, you know, you're talking about the property taxpayer picking it up or something like that. And so if you want to leave Phase I in there, that's fine, but with Section 1, unless you would adopt this amendment you would really be setting the base salary in the State of Nebraska because in Section 1 it says, "the minimum salary shall be", but for a variety of reasons since there is some confusion over just what this will do, now that I have made it clear what LB 89 does by setting that minimum salary of \$18,000 and if you look at Section 5, subsection 1, it says the minimum salary shall be that, I am assuming for the time being we're aware of what we're doing and since we're not aware of it I will ask that I withdraw the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Do you have anything further, Mr. Clerk? But before you do, may I introduce some guests of Senator Lindsay, please. Under the north balcony we have Mary Ann Beckman and David Beckman from Omaha. Would you folks please stand and be recognized. Thank you for visiting us today. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Moore would move to amend the bill. (The Moore amendment appears on page 1295 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR MOORE: Okay, this amendment is a little simpler to understand, much simpler to understand. Basically what this amendment does, it simply strikes all the language in LB 89 and inserts the language that we're going to put \$20 million in the Foundation and Equalization. That's simply what it does. It says that we're not going to deviate from the the norm. It says that we have heard the hue and cry around the state and we have watched the TV ads that NSEA spent tens of thousands of dollars and now we can do something for education. So we're going to do something for education but we're not going to deviate from the