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areas of Nebraska. I also weighted from the .6 full-time employee in the 16 to 19 range and the .6 FTE and the 17 to 19 and the .6 FTE in the 18 to 19 category to .8 of a percent instead, so that you're having a 2 percent increase which would give more of the money to that lower area which would be rural Nebraska, as far as I'm concerned, and the smaller schools. We retained the one FTE for those that are 19 and above and 1.2 for those who have a master's. It's that simple. My purpose, as I said, is to increase the rural percent of the pie, to encourage rural districts to raise the salaries, to give an incentive to increased education for teachers, meantime giving them something that they can work toward. That's the gist of the amendment and I invite your discussion on the issue. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion on the Smith amendment. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, I move we recess till one-thirty a.m.

SPEAKER BARRETT: You have heard the motion to recess...p.m. You have heard the motion to recess until one-thirty. Those in favor say aye. Opposed no. Ayes have it. Carried. (Gavel.)

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PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Roll call, please.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Anything for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, not at this time.

PRESIDENT: May I have your attention for a moment. We have a friend back with us under the north balcony again, Dr. Richard Hanisch, who is our doctor of the day from St. Paul. He is from Senator Rogers' district. Dr. Hanisch, would you stand up, please. Thank you for looking after us again today, appreciate your services. Senator Jacky Smith, I understand you introduced an amendment before lunch. Would you like to review it just