

amend it, but we don't know what it is. We do not know what it does. We do not know what it cost. We do not even know if the teachers want it. I don't know if the teachers of my district want it. I don't know if the school board wants it. We don't know a thing about this bill, about the way it is amended, except this one little sheet of paper that shows us a distribution formula that somebody came up with, and when they explain it to you, they explain it to you so you can't understand it. It is a point factor this, it is a point factor that. We are not down to dollars and cents and, folks, that is what it boils down to when you sit in this body and you vote on legislation that is going to cost \$20 million, \$30 million, and who knows where it is going to end.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: The goal, the goal is going to be achieved, but at what cost? I am interested in knowing more about this, so they will tell you, we will give you the information. We will have it printed for you and have it for you on General File or on Final Reading. That is when we will give you this information, on Final Reading. We don't want to give it to you now. It isn't ready. Well, that is a little late on Final Reading, because when we get on Final Reading, we are going to be short of time, and if somebody tries to amend the bill, or somebody tries to change the bill, or somebody tries to help the bill, you are going to be clobbered by the rest of the fellows on this floor, and ladies, because we are out of time.

PRESIDENT: That is right.

SENATOR HABERMAN: We are out of time. I am out of time. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lynch, please. All right, Senator Landis, please, followed by Senator Abboud.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I want to talk to the old-timers in the body and I guess I have to number myself among them, and I am shocked and surprised to think of that but I guess so. About five years ago, during the early days of the Kerrey administration, there was a bill, 994. It was an initiative to improve education in this state. You have got to remember that the "Nation at Risk" proposal was just out, and the bill had two sides to it. One side was a series of