

don't and can't take the time off their job to go to a public hearing.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Now I mentioned to them I understand that you have a lobbyist retained to present your side. And they said, yes, that they understand that also. Well, quite possibly the lobbyist is not giving them the information. So I'm going to say again, Senator Withem and members of this body, let's go with the high school plan, let's try it, let's see what happens. Then, if that works, then let's go with the grade school plan. I support Senator Lamb's amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The member from the 13th District, Senator Lynch.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President, members, could I ask Senator Lamb a question?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, would you respond to a question, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.

SENATOR LYNCH: Sorry to interrupt your phone call.

SENATOR LAMB: No.

SENATOR LYNCH: Just so I understand how it works, and I turned around and said to Senator Smith that, you know, her area would be directly or indirectly involved with the question. But, for example, so I can understand how this works, since I'm from a district where we pay a common levy and we support both the grade school and the high school, and I assume that some day what we'd like to work towards, Lord willing, that would not mean we'd close schools by the way. But, for example, in your proposal, Senator Lamb, take the first of the 800 and some school districts that we have, Adams County 29; it has a levy to support its grade school of 10 cents a hundred, that's because that district has about 25.5 million dollars worth of value, for ten students they're about 2,500,000 per student. Then they pay a levy of about 50 cents, I understand, for free high school or tuition to send their kids to the Hastings High School. Now how would this work? I'm assuming it would mean that the Hastings