

Schmit amendment. I am supporting the Schmit amendment because of all of its benefits, but I think you've correctly identified one of the down sides to it.

SENATOR SMITH: So in other words, what we have to do is decide in our own minds if we have a Class VI in our district and we have some small community schools like a Kenesaw or we had the Silver Lake district which has been formed now which we're a part of partially there, have to weigh the benefits versus what may result as far as the antagonism and the feuding that may result in those community schools.

SENATOR WITHEM: Right. Was that a question?

SENATOR SMITH: Is that what you are saying to me, that that's...

SENATOR WITHEM: Yeah, there is one other thing I'd like to point out to you regarding this affiliation process that they have to choose a district that they have had some previous relationship sending students to in the past, so they are not going to be able to just arbitrarily...If they have sent their kids to Kenesaw for generations and generations, they can't just for taxation purposes choose the Class VI. That should mitigate some of the...against some of the down side.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, thank you. That helps me a little bit. I'm glad I finally remembered, Senator Barrett.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, so am I. There are no other lights. Senator Schmit, would you like to close?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, I want to thank...yes, I would. I want to thank Senator Smith because when Senator Withem got up and said he had 15 technical questions, he gave me a three aspirin headache and so Senator Smith kind of relieved that a little bit, and I do appreciate the support for the amendment. And, again, I want to say this, that I appreciate the work the committee has done. I think they have worked long and hard on this. I understand Senator Lamb's concern. I think that one of the positive aspects of what we are doing here with this bill is that calling attention to the overreliance of education on property as a basis for support and so to the extent that we can discuss it and debate it a little bit and bring that out, perhaps we will help find some kind of solution. And I know