

Then, if you're affiliated with a high school district that is part of a service unit district, then those services should be available to those Class I's, too, if they want that, if they are affiliated with the high school.

SENATOR SMITH: They already have that capability, don't they?

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, they do have, but some of them are not necessarily members of a service unit, you know they don't have to be, so some of them are not maybe affiliated with that service unit. But there are also high schools that offer the services themselves, especially librarians and some of the specialists, they have those people in-house.

SENATOR SMITH: Well, one of the things that I'm sitting here thinking about is when you're as general as you're making this amendment, you're saying that there...you're saying that they have to bring some of these services out. I was assuming that they were already doing that and could do that. So I'm wondering why we need to put this in this piece of legislation right now. Maybe there is something that I'm missing here. But I also would state that I don't believe that there are some of the services that could be brought out, and Senator Withem alluded to the fact that instead of them having to come out, sometimes they can go into them. A concern that I have is that if you have elementary students who are already...the hours of the day are totally filled, and with the experience that I've had in the elementary education in the rural schools, where they're already contracting with the Educational Service Unit, they did have the band teacher coming out, they did have the art, special ed, I'm just trying to think of all the things right now. There was a bookmobile which came around and the library, basically, was being...was arranged so they were having that facility. But, on the other hand, if you're going to start saying that in order for what we call equity here to exist, these kids are going to get involved in sports, so they're going to have to go into the school in town to be a part of those. Where is the time going to come for those kinds of things to happen in a day? How are we going to expand the school day any more than it's already...the length that it already is...

SENATOR BAACK: Sure...

SENATOR SMITH: ...in the name of education.