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SENATOR SMITH: All right, now are we talking about these two things in one amendment?

SENATOR BAACK: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, the second part of it, the one that would require 100 percent of the transportation. What would that increase cost?

SENATOR BAACK: Well, there is only a few districts that do that, that provide the transportation and pay the parents to do that and it would be a local district cost to do that.

SENATOR SMITH: It would be local district.

SENATOR BAACK: And what they have found is, is that by doing it this way, by allowing the 100 percent allowance, it will actually be cheaper for them than having to come up with the bucks.

SENATOR SMITH: Than having to provide the transportation.

SENATOR BAACK: That's right, and that's why they want that amendment in there because parents are reluctant to transport them when they can only get 86 percent of the allowable cost, but if they are able to get 100 percent of the allowable cost, parents will transport those kids at that point and it is much easier for them to do that.

SENATOR SMITH: What are they using for transportation right now if they are providing that transportation?

SENATOR BAACK: In some cases they are having to bus.

SENATOR SMITH: So what will happen with the use of the buses then if they no longer do that?

SENATOR BAACK: Well, I mean they still...they...

SENATOR SMITH: They will do both?

SENATOR BAACK: Oh, no, I don't think so.

SENATOR SMITH: They will pay those that want to bring their