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SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hefner, would you care to discuss the amendment?

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would like to ask Senator Withem a question, if he'll yield.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, I would, Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Well, Senator Withem, I get kind of nervous when you strike my amendment, AM2385, that was the lid that went for three years. As I understood at the public hearing the lid would go on and on, but yet as I read it was only for one year. And where in this amendment do you say it will go on, and on, an on?

SENATOR WITHEM: It's item four. Let me read the amendment itself to you, is on page 2, point nine, line...on page 23, line 11, in the bill is where we changed this. It is our clear intent to, basically, you're right, it was one year, your amendment made it three years, this makes it in perpetuity. Obviously, with your amendment at three years it could have been changed by the Legislature at any time, any way. You can't bind future Legislatures. But this makes it on into perpetuity...

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay.

SENATOR WITHEM: ...as opposed to even the three year limitation that you had.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. Senator Withem, I'll just read this for the record then. And in line 11, strike "four" and insert "beginning with" and after "1990-91" insert "and each school year thereafter".

SENATOR WITHEM: And each school year thereafter is the operative language.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, actually adds to, doesn't strike your amendment, it adds to your amendment.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. Okay so it really doesn't strike my