

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Johnson. Senator Baack, the floor is yours.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. Speaker, and colleagues, I will be very brief. The Governor's veto message, the reason for the veto message was that it called for some additional state funding, had LB 1059 not been overridden. Now after the override of LB 1059, there are no additional state dollars for this LB 843. The open enrollment bill simply becomes part of the distribution of the monies that we are collecting under LB 1059. With that, I would urge you to override the veto. Yes, I do have to have the language in there. This is the implementing language. We need both this bill and the A bill because they talk about the implementing language. Thank you.

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Okay, Senator Withem, please, followed by Senator Warner.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President, and members of the body, Senator Baack I think gave an accurate description, that the veto message was predicated on the need to, if LB 1059 didn't pass, there was the need for a potential of up to a million dollars more to fund the program. As I understand it with LB 1059 going into effect, LB 843 really becomes a distribution factor, another factor in distribution that choice students, the money for choice students will be paid out of the 45 percent level. I would also point out, and I don't remember if Senator Baack did, but there are a number of other clean-up items in the choice legislation from last year that are included in 843, and to make choice work like a majority of this Legislature wanted it to last year, you really need to do the items in 843. So I would urge you to sustain the...to override the veto, override...put up, you know, a big cheat sheet here for me, override, sustain. We want to override the veto on this case. I am sorry.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I was listening to both Senator Baack and Senator Withem and I did not...they both explained the impact of LB 1059 but I did not hear whether you said that the...what is left in this bill for additional spending is at