

that they'd like to see the requirement be somewhat higher than that, 50, 100, whatever the number might be to operate a high school. You get below 25 students, think about that, in a whole high school. The high school where I attended as a freshman and sophomore back in Iowa, we had 20 students in our class, 15 to 20 depending on who moved in and who moved out and those factors. And our curriculum was pretty limited. You had a basic English class, basic math class, basic science class and a basic social studies class, that's just about it for a curriculum with that level of students. Now we're talking about making it possible for a high school, a full high school to continue to operate with fewer students than...well, almost as many students then as in my class, my total class had in it. It's just something to consider. This is...I understand where Senator Schrock is coming from and I understand what the concern is but it is something I feel somewhat uncomfortable doing.

SENATOR WARNER: PRESIDING

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SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I have a question for Senator Schrock.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Schrock, do you yield?

SENATOR ROBINSON: Are those two school districts adjacent?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, they are 11 miles apart, Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: What is the total number of students of the two added together?

SENATOR SCHROCK: The two added together, they are a little over 75. Farnum has approximately 25, they lack a fraction of being 25 and Eustis is running a little over 50, and it's a tremendous asset to Eustis and if you bust up Farnum, it would probably go four different directions and it would hurt Farnam and it just seems like these people have just taken this step and it just seems what they are doing is very logical, makes a lot of sense. It makes it a very efficient school system.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Why don't they consolidate?