

"Cap". You bet you, and I know he is, but that's one of the fallacies. Punch your button so I can talk some more. You know the fallacy of talking about performance-based system, we're laying it on the teachers. Teachers don't have anything to do with performance-based system. Who runs the school?

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR ROBINSON: If I ask Howard Lamb who runs the school you know what he's going to tell me? The school board, and that's right, the school board. And who do they hire to run the schools? The administrators run the school.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Don't get on the poor teachers when you talk about performance-based system. Senator Withem knows that, Senator Stevens knows that, right down the line. It's the school boards. If you want to talk about performance-based system, the thing we haven't talked about...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time, Senator Robinson. Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, just relax, colleagues, I'm not going to ask you any questions. I know all you teachers are good teachers, but I still think we ought to have a little of this money go into performance-based pay because if the state is asked to furnish some of the money for teachers, well then we ought to know if we're getting a bang for our bucks, just that simple. We're spending a lot of money here. The last two years we have spent \$20 million a year. This year, as I understand it, it was proposed at 20 million but now it has been scaled back to 15 million and that's all right, that's all right. But what did we get the last two years for each of the \$20 million that we spent a year? I don't know, I don't know. I've asked some superintendents that. So far none of them have told me. Yes, some of the teachers are probably a little happier. I received some letters from some teachers saying, well, they could do this and they could do that with that extra stipend that they received from the state, although it was paid through their regular paycheck because the state paid it to the schools and the schools distributed that. But what I see here in this bill, LB 91, I believe that we're bypassing local control and I was a school board member and I certainly don't want to see that. I think our schools need to