

they can...the City of Lexington increased 300 students this year. They'll never pass a bond issue as long as this uncertainty goes on. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Madam President.

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PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Withem. Senator Withem, you're next, followed by Senators Ashford, Robinson, Lamb, Abboud, Hall, Cudaback, Moore, and Schmit. Senator Ashford. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President, members of the body, I'm like Senator Schrock, I'm sure I'm not going to convince anyone. But I touched on this issue earlier in the day, and I think if you're a responsible senator you have to consider what the effect of the...effect on school funding is going to do, if everything goes back on. And I'll just take one county here of mine. Oakland loses \$160,000, Lyons loses \$204,000 if everything goes back on, Tekamah loses \$324,000. And we could pick any one of your rural districts and we could go down the line, and where does that money go? The money goes to the big cities, or the larger ci...larger...the big cities and the larger towns in Nebraska. Something like \$12 million goes to...changes hands on the 1059 formula. That's money that will never come back to rural America. And I talk about the...changing the fabric of rural America and I think if we want to start changing it, we can let LR 219 go down the drain, because that's what's going to happen. May not happen now, or in a year, but you're going to see those towns dry up a little more, there's going to be more town...more little businesses, because they can't hack the inventory tax. I doubt if you'll even see a farm equipment business that will be operating when they have to pay their inventory tax. I think there's another thing, too, that we should consider. I have a question for Senator Warner. Senator Warner, would you...Sir, in your judgment, what happens if the...L...say we pa...we have the votes to have the LR on...in November. What happens if it's voted...if that happens to be voted down? I'd just like to know the scenario.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, then obviously the situation is the same as it was January 1 when the Legislature convened.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Everything goes back on?