

have monies that are limited and we have so many things we know we want to do. What we basically have is a desire, I think, on the body to do positive things for education. We have...we know that the body, the majority of members in this body have consistently voted to put funds in for teacher incentive pay. We recognize that there is going to be a problem of keeping that incentive alive in the current future budgetary years and this decision is are we willing to take the funds that the state has, that we can logically say we can take...put towards education so that we can accomplish...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...many things on the roads and many good things in education. I don't look at this as a raid on the fund. I look at this as a policy decision. I don't look at this as opening the door to take the fund any further. I don't look at this as saying that we're going to now, all of a sudden, have no roads at all. We're going to do very good things with roads. There's going to be a lot of construction. There's going to be a lot of maintenance and repair and we'll always need to do that. What we need to decide now is are we still willing to put the funds so that we don't have to do maintenance and repair on our young children, on the minds in the classroom? And I think we can do both. One we can repair, the other we can't. This is a small portion, we can do this. I appreciate the arguments on both sides and it is time to make a vote on this policy decision.

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And I ask, at this point, for a call of the house, and a roll call vote.

SPEAKER BAACK: A call of the house has been requested. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to go under call.

SPEAKER BAACK: The house is under call. All members please report to the Chamber and record your presence. The house is under call. Senator Schrock, would you record your presence, please. Senator Haberman, would you check in, please. Senator Ashford, check in, please. Senator Pirsch, would you check in, please. Senator Wickersham, would you check in. All members