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formula, decide what changes need to be made, what changes does Lincoln need, what changes does Omaha need. But let's not starve some of those schools right now that are going to lose huge chunks of their state aid for a relatively small increase that may accrue to some of the other schools. So I would just ask that this hold harmless provision be adopted.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Lamb, you are dealing with the hold harmless provision, that would be the Section 3 of the amendment that we are dealing with...Section 2, Section 2 of the amendment that we are now dealing with.

SENATOR LAMB: Okay, all right, let's go with Section 2.

SPEAKER BAACK: That's...just so that the whole body knows exactly...

SENATOR LAMB: I am sorry, yeah.

SPEAKER BAACK: ...we are dealing with the hold harmless, which would be the second portion. We divided this amendment into three and this would be the second portion of this. Before I proceed with the next speaker, I would like to introduce some more guests of the Legislature. We have some guests of Senator Rod Johnson. They are 13 fourth through sixth graders from the District 28 - Milebridge School from Grand Island and their teacher. Would you folks please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. Thanks for being with us. The next speaker is Senator Hall. Senator Hall, we are addressing the hold harmless provision which is Section 2.

SENATOR HALL: Then we are doing Section 2.

SPEAKER BAACK: Section 2 of the amendment, yes, the hold harmless provision.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you. I wanted to clarify that for purposes of...because Section 1 is very noncontroversial. It is not an issue. But, as Senator Lamb was speaking to Section 2, which is the hold harmless provision, I rise to oppose the amendment offered by Senator Lamb. There has been no justification. There has been a few numbers that represent approximately 12 districts that have been handed out by Senator Withem, by the way, not by Senator Lamb. The issue is, as Senator Lamb portrays it, one of just continuing to send the money where it