

very technical in nature. It has simply to do with what you do with a Class I school district when you have a dissolution of that district or you have a dissolution of a Class VI district and you have had affiliation with a Class VI district. After we had a portion of the hearing on this bill, Senator Warner, for one, had to ask the question, well, what does it really do? And it is rather technical in nature, dealing, as I say, exclusively with what happens with a Class I or a Class VI when you have a dissolution of those districts and you've had affiliation of the Class I district. So, with that, I would just urge adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Before we go any further, I would like to encourage my colleagues, if they are in the Capitol or in their offices or wherever to please come to the floor so we can continue to conduct business. I know some of them are going to eat, except try to keep enough people here so we can continue to work on some of these amendments to this bill. I would encourage you to do that. Time is of the essence. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, the amendment that Senator Wickersham has before you was first introduced as a bill to the Education Committee and had a favorable public hearing. For some reason, I was surprised when Senator Wickersham indicated that the bill was still in committee. I thought this was one of the bills that we had advanced. We had talked about it a number of times, I think, in Executive Session but never did advance the bill onto General File. But we feel as though it is a very, very technical measure dealing with what happens when this whole affiliation process has taken place and then we have dissolution of Class I districts, something that we probably need in the statutes, an eventuality that will probably be coming more often than we've had in the past and I simply urge you to adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Withem. I will raise the call but I want people to stay close to the Chamber. I will raise the call for now but please stay close to the Chamber so we can continue to conduct business. Anyone else wishing to discuss the amendment? Senator Wickersham, do you wish to close? Waives closing. We will now vote on the amendment by Senator Wickersham. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote