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SENATOR MOORE: Well, briefly, Mr. Chairman. I think it's been outlined, if Senator Schmit when he calls it minimizing the impact, I don't have a problem with the policy of saying if you take a child into your home, I mean, we talked some about how if you pass this amendment, little Johnny or Jane is going to be treated differently on the playground because the state doesn't pay for them. I would submit, actually, if a second grader gets into school finance, which I don't think he does, adoption of this amendment would treat Johnny, Jane, Joe and Jimmy all the same, because they're all going to be treated the same, they're all treated the same under state aid, and if that's your concern, this amendment actually does try and treat them all the same. And I...if that's a concern, that they're going to be treated differently, I think this amendment actually solves that problem. I mean, it's a reasonable policy. I think we understand where this particular amendment is. I think there are problems or at least concerns that I think Senator Withem's next amendment will address. I think for now I encourage the body to simply adopt this amendment and then advance LB 3. If Senator Ashford wants anymore of my closing, none, that will be our closing.

SENATOR WARNER: Motion is adoption of the Moore amendment. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Clerk, record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Moore's amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: The motion carries and the amendment is adopted. There are further amendments on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Withem would move to amend. (The Withem amendment appears on pages 154-55 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Mr. Chairman, members of the body, this is the amendment that was referred to previous to this time. If you recall, yesterday I had worked out just a marvelous compromise that everybody was going to...make everybody love this bill and solve everybody's concerns with it. The basis of that compromise was, one, that we would begin with the Moore-Ashford amendment which was just adopted and that would be