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thoughtful commitments and an attempt to assure that we will not use property tax dollars from school districts across the State of Nebraska to pay for economic development. It's as simple as that.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yeah, one more time just to indicate that the concept of changing other statutes to accommodate what we have in the statutes that I've come to believe, keep in mind, keep in mind that I'm the only remaining major sponsor of LB 1059 that brought the rebate to you. And I have served on the School Finance Review Committee for the last five years and I've seen what the rebate is doing to what this Legislature promised the citizens of our state, and it's destroying it. And to use a Select File amendment, as Senator Bernard-Stevens has said, to prop up what I consider to be a bad policy is not good law making, it's not good law making at all. Senator, it's kind of interesting and we all do this, Senator Wickersham, but the other time when we debated this I was the one arguing that \$600,000, my estimate, to 700 plus thousand dollars, and that's as high as I would go, doesn't really amount to a whole lot of money. And you talked about what a huge, what a huge impact that would be. And now tonight when I'm talking about the huge impact on the economic development packages, you're talking about that's not much money at all. I think maybe, maybe I would have to come back...I would argue, I guess, that when it's all targeted together into one specific economic development package it is a significant amount of money, but when you take that 600 to 700 thousand dollars, spread it around the state, the impact of that, and at the same time you spread around the state the additional sales tax dollars, it is not much of an impact. It's not much of an impact, certainly does not warrant taking this sort of an action here and it certainly does not warrant propping up an ineffective part of our 1059 formula with this amendment at this time. I again would urge the body to oppose it.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Withem. There are no further lights. Senator Wickersham, would you like to close?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. Well, Senator Withem, there may be some irony in the discussion about whether \$600,000 is a large number or some other number is a large