

had one bill; in '89 we had two pieces of legislation passed; in 1990 we passed three; in 1991 we passed three bills; in 1992, in the Third Special Session, LB 15 was passed; and in 1993 we passed three pieces of legislation dealing with special education. Many of those state statutes required revisions in Rule 51, but Rule 51 has also been revised numerous times to include more, and more, and more specifics about how a child is verified, about who has to be there, about the tests administered, about the appeal process, on and on.

SENATOR HARTNETT: But can we...you know, do we need to look back, I guess another question, we need to look back at the legislation we passed, I think you said since 1983? And can we streamline it, you know, is it outdated, outmoded or...

SENATOR MCKENZIE: I believe that's what we're attempting to do in Section 1 of the amendment.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Okay, thank you. If there's any time I'll give it to Senator Robinson.

SENATOR CROSBY: You have about a minute and three quarters.

SENATOR ROBINSON: I can't even get started in that. (Laughter.) But I'd still like to say...you shock me, Senator Crosby, I'm sorry. Madam President, members of the body, I was asking my colleague, Senator Brashear, I said, have you...we're talking about grants. I said, you ever given yourself a grant? Yeah, he says. What happens when you use it up? He says, there ain't no more money left, he says. I'm ad-libbing a little. But anyway, basically would that be a good answer, Senator McKenzie...

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator McKenzie.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Senator Robinson...

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...instead of this...instead of this percentage raise every year or...basically is that what we're talking about when we're talking about the grants?

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Actually the block grants is just the way in which we deliver the money to the system.

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.