

provide additional funds where we need to that, in fact, we end up encouraging higher costs in the long run. There are a lot of reasons it's costing more, we have more high needs kids, we have crack babies, we have babies born at a pound and a half that are now in our schools and we are educating them and we should educate them. But if we want to turn away from this problem and say we don't have it in Nebraska, we'll be in the same situation Minnesota is, where they are now spending 602 million a year, where they're cutting science, art, music, band, sports and every other program in general education because they have allowed special education to eat up all the other money for general education.

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: I'd ask for your support on the amendment.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator McKenzie. You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the McKenzie amendment to the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, please.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 2 nays on the adoption of the amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR CROSBY: The amendment is adopted. I'll raise the call. Anything further?

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend. (Chambers amendment, FA156, appears on page 1731 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, if you'll turn to page 1392 of the Journal, if you're interested, I will tell you what this amendment does. Beginning with the word "all" in line 5, we would strike the language through the word "regulation" in line 10. I'm going to read the language that would be stricken. "All rules or regulations, or portions thereof, not required by state law, federal law, or federal regulation shall be repealed or modified, so that the rules and regulations do not require any action by school districts, educational service units, or approved cooperatives that is not required by state law, federal law, or federal