

then let's fund them all. Let's give them all 125,000 dollars. Because what you're doing now is not uniform, it's not equitable, it's not fair. It's working in those preschools, as you said, but a lot of the figures that people brought up here on the Head Start Program, and I could do on for a long time and pass out a number of articles on how Head Start has not worked, on how there is no cost benefit evidence whatsoever for older children who have gone to Head Start Programs, on how a lot of these statistics have been inflated and they don't even use Head Start Preschools for those statistics that they quote, on how the people who are being benefited by this are the people who are in those government programs, the adults who work in those government programs, and not the children who are going to those government programs. So I guess it's not the benefit of preschool question here. To me it's should the State of Nebraska give every preschool in the state 125,000 dollars, like we've been giving to these select four preschools? And if you want to continue to do that then let's do it uniformly and let's not just pick a few and have someone, somewhere who has a friend somewhere or is starting a program somewhere, who wants to start a program somewhere and get that state money, because that's what's happening right now with a lot of this, and I don't think it's fair and I don't think it's equitable and I guess I also have a question to the Governor at some point since this wasn't in his budget that we put into our budget, because I think it's something that he should also make a policy statement for the State of Nebraska if this Legislature is not willing to do so. To me, you're telling me that you want early childhood education. Then roll it in to the 1059 state fund and fund all of it because Millard does pay 2 million dollars, and it's not like every family in Millard has that kind of money regardless of what...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Excuse me, Senator.

SENATOR WITEK: ..people say.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The House is under call. Will senators please be in their seats.

SENATOR WITEK: Regardless of what people say, I know there's a mind-set by some senators in this body that Omaha can always incur the cost of every government program that anybody wants to think up, even though some of those other areas of Nebraska can't so we have to fund those other areas. Well, Omaha can't