

1/2 hours on this bill, we made a very good bill out of it and I'm not afraid of it being passed. I think we still have the votes, we have to go 2 hours and 47 minutes more to cloture. And the thing is, the reason we're laying off of it right now is so that whoever is against any appropriations coming up, they can't blame cutting those funds because of saving that money for LB 425. There is other legislation coming up that has been delayed, it would probably continue to be delayed and therefore in deference to those who have other priority bills, we have very important bills coming up, we are going to leave this particular bill laid over. One more comment that I'd like to make as a second semester freshman here is I realize how the system works. I think it's sad that one or two people can keep a bill from ever coming to a vote when the votes are out there. I have no hard feelings, it's been a very, very good experience and I plan on doing more and more of it next year. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator McKenzie. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President, members of the body, I stand to support the Bromm amendment, I think it's a good compromise. This morning Senator Janssen and Senator Hartnett and myself spent probably 50 minutes with, I think his name was Don Anderson from the Department of Education, and we talked about waivers. And I think while we were sitting there visiting I think we probably come up with 8 or 10 different options for schools to use the waiver process, that along with the I think it's 2.5 percent, I think it's 3 percent the next year, will help the schools to push on with the reduction in special ed costs. So I'd urge all of you to support the Bromm amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I rise in support of the amendment and I congratulate those people who have been working on this, this afternoon and today. And I don't know if this is the appropriate time or not, but I've been thinking about this over the last couple of days. And the question I have, the questions I have really go to what I think is the heart of the bill that's going to make this work, and that is the waiver process. And I'd just like to talk with Senator McKenzie a little bit on the record, because I remember all the discussion on LB 1059 when we were on that issue, and I