

and Senator Bromm, and of course Senator Bernard-Stevens who quietly asked the other side, you know, to maybe come together and see if we can't do something in the middle, I do appreciate that. But we have all kinds of people in this world and I just say that the teachers probably on this issue here, I have not received many more calls on a particular subject, I don't know about the rest of you, but I have probably received 15 calls today from educators expressing their viewpoints on this issue, and I appreciate that. So it just shows you that there is interest out there, and they're concerned, and we have teachers that are concerned. They say they have real needs in this area, and they need more money, and I'm sure they do, and the superintendents say this and I appreciate that fact. But I appreciate this body's stand and saying we can attack all this before we have a real crisis. I guess I differ with Senator Janssen in this respect, that I think the superintendents are going to understand and say, hey, we dealt with this and we're going to deal with it before the real crisis is here, which in another six, seven years it would be, we know that. And some of us, like Senator Hall and so on, I was talking to a while ago, we would like to have the lower amount, perhaps, but I think we can agree with this in between here. And I appreciate everybody working on this issue, it's an important issue. And thank the body for doing it, thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, and members. Would Senator McKenzie respond to a question?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator McKenzie.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Yes.

SENATOR HALL: Senator McKenzie, unlike Senator Bernard-Stevens, I guess I don't change my mind all that easily. The issue...and I got a call, finally. Actually, I talked to a fellow today who was a parent of a special ed kid and his concern was this, he said to me, he said, I can understand why you want to try to reduce the costs, and he said, but I had to fight, kick and scream, my wife and I, to get our son into special...we wanted him to be mainstreamed. We didn't want him to be put into a special ed program because, frankly, he said, we didn't think that that was going to benefit him, that what this kid needed was to be mainstreamed. So...but, along with that, there's