

members, there's a representative from the Governor's Office, 1 public school classroom teacher not in special education or administrative staff member not involved in special education, 2 special education administrators or administrative staff members, 2 parents, 1 representative of postsecondary special education, 1 school district business manager and 1 school board member, 1 representative of private schools, and 4 representatives not directly related to the administration, delivery or receipt of special education services; all appointed by the Governor with the consent of the majority of the Legislature, upon the recommendations of associations and organizations representing parents, teachers, school administrators and school board members. So, if you did not have a chance to look at that laundry list of who's actually on this particular commission, maybe that will give you a little bit of update. And now I'm looking for a candidate to turn the mike over to at this point. Senator Withem, did you want some time?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, I really would. I guess I would point out, and what I said to Senator Stuhr if she feels that a better balance would be had by having another general school administrator on the commission, I have no problem with that. I would point out to the membership that, you know, I have had very little involvement in LB 742.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SPEAKER WITHEM: I did have a group of individuals from around the Omaha area who came to me with an awful lot of policy concerns about the recommendations as they came out of the Education Committee on LB 742. I said to them, I don't think you have a lot to base your concerns on at this point because this is a continuing process. Their response was, it's a process in which they were not involved. I went to Senator Bohlke and I believe to Senator McKenzie and indicated that having a representative among that group from the special education community and a business manager expanded onto the commission would alleviate a lot of concerns and would save an awful lot of time debating...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SPEAKER WITHEM: ...the policy recommendations that are continued in this proposal,...