

all, but at least the Omaha district...and I consider myself a state senator, the Omaha district will be able to benefit because they have not spent the million and a half dollars yet on this. At least the Omaha district would benefit. They have done their initial connections but now they're purchasing hardware and doing teacher training, so if you adopt the Robak amendment, they can still be...access some of these funds to help pay for those costs. I still am upset and it just amazes me that you would just blow off the sena...the taxpayers in Millard and say it means nothing that we've invested \$2 million of our tax dollars to go ahead and do this, that that means absolutely nothing to any of you. And even the senators from the Millard area who are voting against this, I don't understand how you're going to go back to your constituents and explain why you voted the way you did and blew off \$2 million of their tax investment, but that's for you to have to do. The least that we can do, and every single district who is involved in this needs to understand the least that you can do is adopt the Robak amendment and strike the priority language and allow these funds to just be given out for those districts that have already done this and those districts that are just starting and not have some type of a priority system already in place like this bill does. This issue should have had at least six months to go back into the districts and talk about this because this is a huge undertaking and this bill is not adequate. This language is not adequate and the individuals who have this bill, you have not done enough talking across the state to individuals who are concerned about this, to have adequate language in this bill. I would have preferred to wait six months and approve the bracket motion. The majority saw fit not to do so. So I would hope that the very least that you can do is strike the priority language from this bill and allow that there are districts out there who...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...this is a gross inequity. As Senator Beutler has said, it's totally inequitable for those districts that have gone ahead on this and done exactly like he said, we're not addressing the private school issues, we're not addressing whether business will help out with this, we're not addressing any of those issues. You're just blindly going forward because you think this is something that you have to initiate without any thought as to how it will be done. I hope the Robak amendment will be adopted. It will help a lot of those