

parallel there because no schools are denied access to that state money. It's interesting, what's interesting to me about the terms of some of the debate is that there's been a lot of talk about students penalized, students penalized. The word is penalized. Well when you say the word penalized it says indirectly that they're not getting something they should be getting, right? And it's a strong word so you feel very strongly that they're not getting something they should be getting. Well where is your obligation? If they're not getting something they should be getting, why don't we just tell the school districts by the year 2002, you will have a direct connection to the Internet and you will provide these services to the students because we feel strongly that they're not getting something they should be getting. And why do we namby-pamby around with this kind of a bill that does this inequitably, unfairly, punishes poor school districts, because we don't have the courage and gumption to say directly what we say indirectly when we say students are penalized? And I really do think that's what is happening today, because we're afraid to do something directly, we're allowing it to happen indirectly, and because we're allowing it to handle...and because we want to handle it indirectly, we're willing to shut our eyes to the fact that it's being done inequitably and to the detriment of some poor school systems, to the detriment of some equalization systems. I guess I want to start another subject and I'm sure I don't have but a minute left so I'll put my light on again. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Robinson

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yes, Madam President, members of the body, just a couple of things that Senator Beutler and Senator Bromm you know was inferring that the questions haven't been answered. We are now three and a half plus two yours and twenty-seven minutes and everyone that is sitting in here knows that we have rehashed this thing over and over again. I'm going to ask some rhetorical questions. Has the Lincoln schools written a grant from the innovative lottery fund for technology? I don't think so. Have they expended any money from their ESU? No, they haven't done that. That's all I have to say, thank you.

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

SENATOR LYNCH: Question.