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SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR STUHR: ...will it go...

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR STUHR: The largest amount of money?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Oh, well, I don't know...no dollar amount, maybe not.

SENATOR STUHR: Dollar amount, that's what I'm talking about.

SENATOR BOHLKE: But equal...you have to remember, the equalization formula recognizes the number of students, I mean part of a school districts' need goes to the number.

SENATOR STUHR: Right.

SENATOR BOHLKE: But certainly we have school districts, and that's something that I think we have to clear up, in rural Nebraska, that are going to gain a great deal by putting more money in the equalization formula. You saw some of those that...

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, I did. And I looked, and I just briefly went through one chart, 69 of the counties lost, 24 of the counties gained, and guess where those counties were?

SENATOR BOHLKE: You're talking countywise, though, not...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...not districts within those counties.

SENATOR STUHR: Right, I am talking county, county wide I just, I had another little portion that I wanted to share with you. We've been talking about property taxes. I have some comparisons between Aurora and Grand Island, just to give you some idea of what's happening. In Grand Island the General Fund was \$1.01, Aurora \$1.21. Local taxes going to schools from Grand Island was 35 percent, from Aurora, 75 percent. State assistance to Grand Island was 59 percent; Aurora, 17 percent. Just, you know, giving a little comparison on some of the rural