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SENATOR BOHLKE: That's correct.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay. Now in the case of Omaha, it really doesn't affect them, is that correct?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Well, they're in their own tier.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah, so it wouldn't affect them, is that right?

SENATOR BOHLKE: No, not as much as...right.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Now we had a...

SENATOR BOHLKE: They have the 400 percent factor, Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: You mean if they're spending too much they'd get cut down?

SENATOR BOHLKE: No, no, I'm sorry, no, it would not because they're...

SENATOR ROBINSON: It would not affect them,...

SENATOR BOHLKE: Right.

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...is that correct? Okay, now, I was a hearing down at the OPS headquarters, can't remember what it was, but I asked the, I think it was Neal Krause, I think...I asked a question, how much are you spending on busing now? And he sort of hemmed, hawed around and then he finally, I finally got an answer, was five, six million, and then I've heard it's even up as high as eight million. Now, there's been a lot of discussion in Omaha about busing for integration. And there are a lot of groups coming out and saying they do not have to spend that money now for integration. And I guess I have a problem if they continue to spend that and we put something like this in the formula, it seems to me they ought to, we ought to look at Omaha too as far as the busing goes.

SENATOR BOHLKE: As I understand that they're doing a major study in the Omaha Public Schools right now, is that not true?