

selling maybe a portion of the lands. As we see, those dollars have to be made up by another farmer or another property tax owner, or owner of property. They have to be made up by him or her. So I guess that's one of the reasons why I may change my position on this and try it out for half, if we are absolutely sure that the money will go into an investment that cannot be changed by this body. So I just wanted to explain that to the people watching, the situation is the school districts are only reimbursed for the school portion and not for any other taxes, whether it be ag society, whether it be for fire district, or whatever. That is swallowed up by the surrounding landowners, unfortunately. If that was made up by the state also why there would be no question in my mind, I absolutely would not change my direction and vote for even one-half of this with Senator Withem's amendment. But I guess it's the worst of two evils, the better of two evils or whatever the saying goes, like Senator Dierks says. But I will support the Senator Withem amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Senator Crosby, members of the body, Senator Bohlke, Senator Bromm, somebody, I was raised...I was curious by the comments made by Senator Schrock that, you know, that the Educational Lands is selling land and buying land. Does anybody monitor their activity, or they just kind of willy-nilly do what they want? What's the... Does the Education Committee...I think Senator Withem referred to, back when he was Chairman of the Education Committee, he asked them a couple times to come in, and finally, I don't know what he did to get them to come and talk and so forth. But have they sold land? Have they traded land? Has that been their policy? Do they report to anybody, I guess,...

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Bromm or Bohlke,...

SENATOR HARTNETT: ...or just to themselves.

SENATOR CROSBY: Which one of you want to respond?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I want Senator Bohlke, she looks like she knows the answer.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Bohlke, will you answer.