

SENATOR ROBINSON: We will have no...I've heard that we have this special ed task force so we will have no more amendments on special education on 1050. Is that correct?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Not any that I'm aware of.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay. Now you sent out the printout, but those two lines there, they're not...they were not proposed amendments.

SENATOR BOHLKE: They were never proposed amendments.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Yeah. Okay. So I think that's the right direction to go and I stand for the reconsideration. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Madam President, members, what's the fair thing to do here? You know, I get involved in discussions on the floor of the Legislature and usually I find that this body usually looks at the fairness issue as one of their top priorities and so whenever I try to make an argument that I want to be successful I always use fairness as one of my crucial. crucial arguments in trying to get something enacted. I want to thank Senator Bohlke for being so quick to provide us with these printouts and to help us understand which districts are going to benefit from this amendment and which districts will suffer as a result of the amendment. Now the arguments that have been used by the proponents of this amendment have been that this is the fair thing to do; that if we care about our children, if we care about educating the youth of this state that we should do the fair thing, the right thing and enact this amendment so that the districts that really need that money can have it. I'm totally baffled why we're reconsidering this particular amendment because the fair thing, apparently, that was decided by this body was to take the amendment and include it into the bill. So why should we change? I mean, isn't it the fair thing to do? Well, I don't know if this bill is about fairness and it's quite obvious to me that this amendment shows that this bill is not about fairness or equity. It's about whether your districts that you're representing will get more money in state aid, period, end of story. That's what this is about--getting the 25 votes so that you will have more money in your district. Now the printouts didn't work out right so that we have 25 votes to