

about, the population of the children that is coming into the schools. The crack babies are beginning to show up, and if you think that is just in New York City or someplace, it isn't. It is here in the state of Nebraska. So we just have to be very careful not to realize that we're...and keep in mind that we're talking about the children and the teachers, the two groups who are together every day. So I urge you to support the Brown amendment. That will make this bill a little better. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Madam President, members of the body, I agree with Senator Warner. I think that...that we, in the committee, were supposed to have an amendment that was more generic, and I guess my problem is with the word "shall", you know, and Senator Brown says this is intent language, that...but you are really saying to...you got to do...you got to do these things here. This is where you look, and maybe there are other things that, you know, each school district would look at, rather than the extracurricular activities, student transp...or school buildings, and so forth. I think that is restrictive and I think we also need to look at, and our amendment, which we can't find, someplace was really more generic because, you know, is this problem also true, you know, in city government? You know, they'll fire the lowest, you know, as they cut back rather than that, and so I guess I, at this moment, I will not support it. I think we should look at it more, rather than be this restrictive just on schools, we should be looking at all the other political subdivisions to do this because I think this is what you're doing with this, Senator Brown, is restricting authority of local boards of education to make decisions. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President and members, and as I look at this and understand, it's intent language. I'll tell you that I may be coming back on Select File in one area that may be a little more specific. Intent is nice, we all feel better saying this is what we intend, but, in fact, it's not very often reality. But I did introduce a bill this year that did away with the mandate on transportation for schools, and as we approach Select File, I will be thinking about that a little