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we've fixed resources, and the variable is aid. We made those policy decisions in 1114 and 806. Now, did we understand all of the implications and the way that the various proposals that we had to change taxing systems, and the amount of money that we put into 806, would work out? No, and, in part, we couldn't. But we do now and that's really what LB 149 is about;...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...not changing that framework. That framework, in my mind, is already decided and that is the framework that we have to use to decide whether schools are going to have adequate resources, because we've determined what their needs are, are they going to have the adequate resources to meet those needs. If we don't put the right amount in on the state aid side, they don't. If we don't put the right number in on the state aid side, they don't, because there's no way for them to go home and balance the equation. We stopped them from doing that with 1114. (LB) 149 allows them to balance, allows us to balance for the next school aid year. It's as simple as that. It is our obligation to balance and 149 allows us to do that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Chair recognizes Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, Mr. President and members, I just wanted to respond to a couple of things. I may have been the one that used the quote. I didn't say we were never going to legislate without printouts. I said I would find it a wonderful occasion and, actually, if we just want to go through this process on 149 without a printout that's fine with me. But I have a feeling the rest of you (laugh) maybe would like to see those numbers. Certainly we all would like to discuss the philosophy. That's what I tried to get at in my opening comments--the philosophy of what we do, of what we do when we're setting budgets, of who we give priority to. Those are certainly some of the philosophical discussions that we have in 149. On the more practical side, and I've heard a couple of questions raised in listening to some of the comments, I must reiterate that 149, and make this clear to you, is not in conflict with the Governor's plan. (LB) 149 would just set that local effort rate at ten cents below where