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draw the line at that time? This simply gives us some flexibility with the light of day, so to speak, without the pressures of having to make those decisions. I had debated about putting the amendment in that they're...one of holding harmless, which I don't think is the right way, or to say that we...our goal would still be 100 percent of needs. That's my philosophy. We ought to do 100 percent of needs and I wouldn't mind putting that in there as a goal. But to make it an absolute entitlement I think is a mistake in the long run, and that's where we ought to be looking out over the long run, and it doesn't say that that's necessarily instability for schools because I don't think anything is forever and probably shouldn't be forever, and I...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...think locals ought to have that obligation too.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Stuhr, on the Kristensen amendment.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body. I do want to speak on the Kristensen amendment, and I'm just asking how can we remove the stability and the predictability that we are asking for the schools. I have a note here from a member that says that the financial resources for teachers salaries, classroom materials, technology, continuous teacher training and development, building maintenance and building renovation, transportation, and other increasing option...operational costs seem to always fall short of actual needs. And I think this is particularly true in our rural areas. I think that we can be very proud of the quality of education systems that we have had in Nebraska, and I've stated that on the floor before, but it is our responsibility to provide for a quality education for all students. And as I think some of the other members have stated, but I just want to point out the fact that I believe that Initiative 413 sent a very clear message, that the people across this state do want to support their schools, and that they do want property tax relief. Again, we've talked about the agriculture economy, and being a farmer myself, I want to share just a message that I