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SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Dierks, will you yield?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Dierks, as you come to your mike, while you were speaking strongly in favor of this, were you aware that the amount that each of these programs will get is a piddling \$1,600?

SENATOR DIERKS: No, I wasn't aware of that, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, how much do you think is going to be accomplished with \$1,600? After all the faculty gets together and have this meeting and a cooperative effort to parcel it out, what do you think is going to happen?

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I think that \$1,600 is just going to provide more than would be there if they didn't have it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think maybe they can buy more doughnuts and coffee for the staff who are running the program?

SENATOR DIERKS: Sixteen hundred dollars would buy a lot of doughnuts and coffee, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think it will buy a piece of equipment?

SENATOR DIERKS: Some.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Like what?

SENATOR DIERKS: Oh, a couple computers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, don't they have computers in these schools already? We're talking about vocational education.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I don't know what it will buy, but \$1,600 will help.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It will help, right. Oh, thank you, Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: You bet.