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local effort in terms of the levy you charge, as well as other features. So I think that it is possible to offer some assistance here on good financial management, and I think it's done with this bill. I still am a little bit concerned with the funding mechanism. But I believe it has been greatly improved by the fact that it is a loan with interest and it will be repaid. So I like very much this amendment. I urge you to support it and support the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Raikes. For discussion on the Bohlke amendment to LB 314, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I, too, rise to support this amendment. I wish I could be as fortunate as the opponents to this amendment, and not having had school systems that have faced some of the dilemmas that we are trying to address with AM1259. I had the great misfortune, a couple of years ago, for only one of the examples, of having a clerk in the Department of Revenue inadvertently transpose valuation from one school district to the other within the same county, which made a tremendous difference in the state aid allocations and the property tax levies and the cost to local government. I was absolutely amazed to find that we had no mechanism, no mechanism in law to adjust for errors. So I proposed, in last session, a bill that didn't get out through the system, and we had a different bill that took care of the immediate problem, but didn't resolve the issue. This year I introduced a bill that provided resolution, which did require, as a matter of fact, a pool of resources that would be available to the commissioner of education to correct for errors in...that were not the fault of the school system that was involved. The Education Committee did in fact make a determination that there were other situations that existed, particularly in small schools with small budgets, that created very difficult situations. And through AM1259 decided to make this...well it became, I don't remember what the bill number was, but it became what is now AM1259, to provide a mechanism to allow for those small schools to be able to seek assistance in those situations, to tide them over until other adjustments could be made. These are real situations that are out there that in the past we've only been able to address by particular legislation on the floor, appropriating some money and suspending some formulas for