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Kristensen, please.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I, unlike Senator Wickersham, have not made that commitment to fully fund TEEOSA when the dime drop happens. In fact, I would put my plug in for an amendment that had 20 courageous people vote for it earlier but that we don't have to fund what gets certified to us for state aid to schools, and that you can recertify those. Because the day will come when you're going to have short funds and you want to...you want to make sure that you have the ability to have as much flexibility with the state budget as you can and you don't lock all those things in. What I would, and I'm not going to vote for this amendment, Senator Beutler, which I assume you would...you're not particularly surprised at but, at the same time, the discussion here is what...what do you do with those cash reserve funds and what really is the purpose of having them. We've discussed that at length and I am not sure this morning adds any more other than at this point to say that when that day comes that the dime drops, there must be a significant discussion on the floor of the Legislature about how much of that do we fund. This amendment would be a very appropriate amendment at that point in time to make that discussion about, and until that happens, until you see the level of resources that are available at the local level with valuations, where those levies are at, and the impact of those levies, I can't vote for an amendment like this. Thank you, Mr. President

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you. Not being one to make mistakes, and I don't think I made a mistake, I think it was an error in penmanship, but Mrs. Hilgert's first name is Cara not Laura. (Laughter) So I do apologize for that. Once a year I'm allowed one, am I not? Moving on to our list of speakers, Senator Bohlke, please.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members. Certainly, I think Senator Beutler has pointed out this is intent, and stating intent, but I'm...I'm not going to support the amendment mainly because I really just don't see that it's necessary. At a different time, it may be but I think that we have had a great amount of debate. I think we've set out in legislation what the obligation of the state is for funding state ed...for funding