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SENATOR JANSSEN: Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, I will try to respond.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Raikes, did you talk...use the term "nonequalized" in connection with the discussion of this bill?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, yes, I did, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What did you mean?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Time, Senator Chambers. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I have a lot to say, but I'm going to let Senator Raikes answer that question, and then I'd like to have my time back.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay, thank you, Senator Wehrbein, I think. (Laughter) By "nonequalized" I mean that you are providing relief that is independent of a...of a financial need. So that I will have my property tax lowered, regardless of whether I'm a large property owner or a small property owner. It applies to everybody in the school district, regardless of need. And Senator Wickersham and I disagree on this. He...I would not agree, I guess, with his statement that this is equalized property tax relief. I would say it's nonequalized.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Now, can I...can I...

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, thank you.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: We'll let that hang for you. I want to make some comments, if I may, Mr. President. First of all, I'm a little bit nervous because Senator Chambers and I are on the same side of this issue, I think, except that for different reasons, because I...the line of questioning he's pursuing I...is another issue with me, but I won't get into that. But this is, in my mind, a philosophical issue of whether you want 45 or 47 percent. And I'm coming down, at this point, with Senator Raikes because of the...at the 47 percent level. Part of it is the obligations of the state into the future. And I