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ramifications that we're aware of so the record is clear. But nobody can compel a senator to speak on the floor, nobody can compel a senator who speaks on the floor to tell the truth,...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and we all know that. And not everybody does tell the truth who occupies a seat on this floor. But when it comes to discussing these issues, if we talk long enough, if we prod enough, if we push and pull and tug, we will get people to start coming forth and stating what their true motivation is for voting a certain way, and we at least know what it is we're dealing with at that point. I'm against this bill because I think it's very poor state policy. I think Senator Raikes' amendment, by setting the figure at 47 percent instead of 45, will mitigate the long-term damage that can be done by this bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Raikes, you are recognized to close on AM2766 to LB 1107.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I would just summarize, I hope quickly, by saying that this is intended to be a moderate approach. Senator Chambers has, I think, described very well the state policy issues that are involved. I don't know that I agree 100 percent. I do agree with the notion that some sort of a policy statement about a lid as to percent of support of school systems by property taxes makes sense. I also think that imposing that lid should not put the state in a fiscal bind. And I would point out also that there is going to be an influx of roughly \$90 million, regardless of the percentage in this bill. This would not affect that. This would simply say that we will not enter back in with more state aid until the percentage rises up to 47 percent, rather than 45 and, as you can see fiscally, that makes quite a bit of difference. So, in the interest of adopting a policy, which Senator Wickersham has proposed here, of putting a cap on property tax support of schools, but also of doing it in a manner that is cautious and fiscally conservative, I would urge your support of this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Raikes. The question is