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search for a manner in which they can become either sparse or very sparse. I don't think this was the original intent of the formula. I would say also that because the formula is an auto pilot type formula, where you begin with costs two years ago and sort of back your way into the future, it's not particularly useful in analyzing some of the school finance issues that we are facing today. And one of those in particular I've mentioned is teacher salaries. I realize, however, that the model that I've come up with has caused a great deal of concern. And I think quite frankly, to be honest, that in my effort to address these problems I've failed. I was hopeful that I could come up with something that would be acceptable and also would deal with these problems, but I have not been able to do that. I do think the problems remain. I think they deserve attention, I think they need to be considered seriously. I'm going to offer or ask for a bracket motion in a few minutes. But I guess what I would like is if there are people who are interested, to hear your comments about this issue, about what you think was wrong with the model offered in LB 715, how it might be changed, should this be something that we continue to work on or not? I'd be interested in comments from people on the Education Committee, Senator Brashear, Wickersham, Suttle, Coordsen, Stuhr, Senator Kristensen, Senator Beutler, others representing rural or urban interests, basically your opinions. Is this something that needs attention, or does it not need attention and, frankly, some comments on where I have failed with my work on LB 715? So, with that, I'll close or I'll stop and see if there are comments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Raikes. Debate on the Raikes amendment? Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members, the only one you enticed in with your comments was me (laugh), and you didn't even mention me, Senator Raikes. (Laughter) See what a sucker I am. Well, I want to encourage you to keep working, but not now. (Laugh) I think you're probably on the right track. I was interested in reading the letters we've got, and some were saying, in essence, I'm paraphrasing, it's a little too complicated or a little too advanced is the correct word. But I do want to think that it's...we ought to look at it, but I do think maybe it ought not come so fast. There is one statement