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schools actually access or use that, and so the amendment would be to transfer the money, \$2 million from the Hardship Fund, to this, which to me seems like an extremely good idea because what this amendment does is to allow the school districts who are out there talking about unification or consolidation, this would put the money back...the money needed into the Incentive Fund and certainly, I believe, allow those discussions and plans to go forward. Without it, I do believe some of those would come to a screeching halt. So I think it's an excellent idea and I see Senator Wehrbein is discussing it, having the amendment ready right now, and so if, when that is filed, you would see that that would be acceptable, I would certainly be in favor of that. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT MAURSTAD:** Thank you, Senator Bohlke. On the motion to return, Senator Wehrbein.

**SENATOR WEHRBEIN:** Yes, Mr. President, members of the body, it was suggested to me, I'm sorry, I looked in my file and found a note that had come to me last week about using the Hardship Fund for this money. I understand that that's not been used up until now. It was a cash fund we created. It is 2.774 million dollars in it, \$2,774,000. I've had the amendment drafted to transfer \$2 million from that to this fund. Sandy tells me we don't have it quite correct at this point, but I wanted you to choose...listen to that a little bit, and I would suggest...I don't know what the Speaker's intent was, if we could stand at ease for a few minutes, we could have this drafted entirely correct, if that would be something we could do and something the body wanted to do. There would still be \$774,000 left in the Hardship Fund. I'm not entirely familiar how...what the chances are that will be used. But if this is something the body wants to do, I think we can make it work.

**PRESIDENT MAURSTAD:** Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Bohlke.

**SENATOR BOHLKE:** Yes, Mr. Speaker, members. It seems that the best plan may be Senator Bromm's has an amendment that is filed to this bill. It would seem appropriate to pass over this and come back to it after Senator Bromm, so if you would allow that to happen, Mr. President, that I think would meet the needs.