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hardship that they would have to suffer if we're not able to continue the promise that we made several years ago. Matter of fact, I think it was more than four years ago on the the floor of this Legislature when the incentive program was selected. The money, of course, as Senator Wehrbein shared with you a few moments ago, has been appropriated. It's currently, I suppose, returning something to the state of Nebraska as part of the money invested. But it is money that was appropriated conscientiously and consciously by this body to fund what we believed to be the need at the time. We've talked at some length already as to the changing needs and the length of time changing also. It is a hardship, and it's still a hardship, to ask the schools to continue the talks that they've begun without any hope of being able to cover the costs that are incumbent within a unification or a merger. I think we owe it to our constituents, no matter where they're located, to encourage them to explore avenues of more efficiency...more efficiency, and take the time not only to do a good job, but to take the time that it takes to get the necessary amendment down from Bill Drafting to proceed...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...in the way that we hoped to do for the last half-hour. With that, Mr. Speaker, I would yield the rest of my time back to the Chair.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. And thank you for being very patient and tolerant. The Bill Drafters...we have the bill down. It will actually become the bill. It does the Raikes, it does the amendment, it does the original LB 1161, and does idea that Senator Wehrbein is bringing that allows us to transfer the funds. Therefore, I will pull AM3234. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: That was a request to withdraw it?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes. That is a request to withdraw it.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Wehrbein would move to return the