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we pay out of state aid to schools, 45 percent of what we pay out to state aid for schools goes to three counties in the state of Nebraska: Douglas County, Sarpy County, and Lancaster County. So if you want to reduce the amount of state dollars going to those three counties for property tax relief I'm assuming you'll support the Governor. I don't know why he wants to reduce state aid to those counties. Why would the Governor want to reduce state aid to schools for Douglas County, Lancaster County, and Sarpy County? But that's what will happen if you vote with the Governor, if you don't vote to override.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: I'm absolutely willing to increase state aid for schools to those counties. They have property tax payers in them. They have very, very large public school expenditures and I want the students in those schools to have the support of their communities for the kind of education they need. And I know they're not going to receive that if the taxpayers in those school districts think they're property taxes are too high. And I think when their property taxes get above 47 percent as a part of the statewide total we're going to have people coming back to us saying that property taxes are too high and we won't support our schools or we won't support something else. And we're going to be bitten by that old heel fly and our tails are going to go in the air and we're going to throw in some tens, maybe hundreds of millions and we'll wonder how we got there. Well, we got there just because we wouldn't see where we were going.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Wickersham. You've heard the closing on the motion to override. The question before the body is, shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the Governor? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the motion to override. Have you all voted who care to? Have you all voted? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 1728.)  
23 ayes, 23 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was not successful. Mr. Clerk.