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\$1.04, to levy at \$1.04 or \$1.03, or \$.97 or whatever number they would choose. That's a year-by-year decision.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. And it could be the \$1.04 now would provide them enough money with no budget growth that they wouldn't even have to exceed the levy by the amount they did last year then at that time.

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, that's the case.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. One other question then on community colleges. You...the growth allowed in their budget growth would be the amount of their enrollment increase. Should the enrollment decrease does their budget authority decrease by that same amount then?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, that's true. That's the way the formula works, and I would just point out I think the...that every area, every community college area in the state this year has experienced increased student growth.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. And I would anticipate that for the next year or two probably also.

SENATOR RAIKES: Right.

SENATOR KREMER: So that's all the questions I had and I would leave...give you my balance of my time if you're interested in using it.

SENATOR CUDABACK: There's about a minute and a half, Senator Raikes.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. Thank you, Senator Kremer. I would just mention a couple of points in response to Senator Maxwell's comments. He mentioned that the fact that we need to make changes indicates the formula is not working.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.