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property valuation, all of your income, put that number together and tax it, the way I work it out in my blueprint is 1.5 percent, to get the billion and a half we'd need for basic K-12 education. I am looking for more efficiency. I actually would keep the same amount of money in K-12 education that we have now. I'd rearrange the way that we apply some of it. I'll be glad to engage in further conversation, if you want.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay, I know some of the problem and I've served on the school board for 16 years and I know everybody comes in on to a school board has an agenda, thinking they're going to really cut down the costs and be more efficient and everything, and you find out that about 75 percent of the budget is salaries and we've had a real push to increase teachers' salary, which puts a real strain on the schools. And I've talked to some of the schools that are consolidated, which is a goal, you know, too. But it seems like I've asked many of them if their cost per pupil has decreased because of consolidation. Almost invariably they say no. I think some of the advantages are curriculum, you know, availability and things like that are a goal for the consolidation. Sometimes schools are so small that they really cannot offer a curriculum that's good. But I have a little problem when we just think of how we can fund it by a different formula. I know our school aid formula now is a complicated mess that nobody really likes too well. LB 1059 was a goal to take some of the income tax. It started out I think 20 percent of your local income tax went to state and back to the county or...in order to give property tax relief, and I think our goal has been even in state aid and the levy coming down to a dollar has been for property tax relief. If we're going to...and then what state aid is, is comes from sales and income tax, and if we're trying to get away from that, then where else have you got to go besides back on property tax? If you'd care to answer that.

SENATOR MAXWELL: Certainly, Senator. Let me remind you, we don't...we have a year to figure out how to do this. My view of it is, I would shift about three or four hundred million dollars of the burden that's on property right now over on to income.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. Okay, and LB 1059 was kind of a goal to