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have to follow up with Senator Raikes. Senator Raikes, I'm not certain that what was just explained is what is actually going to happen, and I need to understand this a bit more.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Raikes, the PEAP program will be dissolved, but that doesn't mean that there will be no funds going to students who go to private schools or for profit schools after that phase-out program occurs, does it?

SENATOR RAIKES: You're right, Senator, there would be need-based aid awards available to students, and those students would have a choice as to where they wanted...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Correct.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...to attend school and, thereby, as to where...which tuition, if you will, the award would be applied toward.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I just wanted to clarify that, because I didn't want anybody to misunderstand what will happen once that phase-out program occurs. It probably is no surprise to anyone that I am going to stand in support of the Chambers amendment, although I'm not sure but what I would put in a phase-out period as well. But I want to remind you of what our constitution says on the matter of education. Article VII, Section 1 says, "The Legislature shall provide for the free instruction in the common schools of this state of all persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years. The Legislature may provide for the education of other persons in educational institutions owned and controlled by the state or a political subdivision thereof." That's our duty. That's our responsibility. That's what we need to do, and as we continue this kind of an expenditure we take it away from the public schools in this state. And I have to continually rise to support this effort, although, Senator Chambers, I don't know that I have a lot of confidence that this