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SENATOR BRASHEAR: Fill the airwaves, will you?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...about .8 percent per gallon of gas for some period of time and nobody in the world knows what he's talking about. (Laughter) I'm just muttering while Senator Brashear finds the answer for us.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'm sorry, but you won't get to talk anymore, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Your time is up.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'll have another shot.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I don't know how to follow up on this discussion we're having here right now. But I...several comments. I'm not going to support the Chambers amendment. I think if we can't come up with something better than a 2 percent...or 2 cent increase, I'm just going to stay where we are. I tell you what, the taxpayers are speaking out there to me louder than the school administrators. I'm going to hear from all of them, I'm sure. Those school administrators out there that are listening, watching, the taxpayers are speaking with a very unified voice, saying, enough is enough. We stretched it to go to \$1.05 last year for two years. We swallowed hard and did it. Now to go to \$1.07 over a series of years, no, and certainly not \$1.10. So the taxpayers, on top of the increased valuations out in our area, have had enough. They've just...they've had enough. I found it interesting, I think it was this morning's paper, where I believe Valley and Waterloo had voted not to exceed the levy limit, so they're going through a merger process. I think you're going to see more and more of that. And it obviously makes some sense to them, because that's apparently what they're doing. I need to address what Senator Brashear and Senator Chambers have been talking about, not because of my position