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SENATOR SMITH: ... I don't think that the surface of a road should be a consideration for whether or not a school should be open. It should be quality, ahead of cost. And as long as they're providing quality at a reasonable amount, let's let it It should be quality, ahead of cost. Again, let's get back to quality and not anecdotal. isolated situations around the state where there's a bad example. Because for every bad example, I can come up with five to ten good examples of...outside my district, in fact, of good Class I schools and why they should exist. And you know, we're talking about the shifting of enrollment and option enrollment. And actually, students within Lincoln Public Schools can go to a host of differing elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, and they're not even considered to be option enrollment. But they have that choice ...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR SMITH: ...within the district. Did you say time, Mr. President?

SENATOR CUDABACK: I did, Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith and Senator Erdman. Senator Langemeier.

SENATOR LANGEMEIER: Thank you, Mr. President. I would first like to start off by thanking Senator Raikes, first for answering all my questions. As being one of the newest members of this body, we've had to ask a lot of questions, and I want to thank him for that opportunity. Secondly, I'd like to thank him for pointing out Schuyler, which is in my district. It's my home community. It's...if you look on the charts he's given you, it's the largest Class I in our school system. It also happens to have in its Class VI affiliation seven other schools. And if you look at those schools, they're also all less than the average of any Class I that's affiliated with a Class VI. But my district is not just Schuyler. It's bigger. I probably have the most, if not, really close to the most Class I's of any