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you. Is that accurate?

SENATOR RAIKES: That's correct. Now, we always use the previous fall's enrollment numbers to calculate that. So if, for example...and it's resident students, as well. So if something...if for some reason a plant closed or whatever, and people all moved out, then it would fall out of that protection.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right.

SENATOR RAIKES: But at least for the time period...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: As long as they can maintain that number of students,...

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...you can never close it.

SENATOR RAIKES: That's right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: All right. And let's say it got down to...let's say it qualifies, it has 15 students, and for whatever reason, the parents of 12 of those students wanted it shut down. Could they do it?

SENATOR RAIKES: Well, actually, they could do it. And by the way, there's been some comments about, somehow this is going to destroy option, which it has no effect on at all. If in fact they sent their students to a different school...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, there...yeah, I mean, there are other mechanisms that we have in current law. But in terms of this bill, does it allow...would that factor, in and of itself, allow it to be...

SENATOR RAIKES: Technically and strictly speaking, you're right, it would not.