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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Smith, you have about a minute and a half.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Raikes, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, would you yield?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Now, a teacher...assuming LB 126 passes, teachers in a Class I school district, are they guaranteed a job in the larger district?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, they would become a part of the...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...staff of the K-12 district which they became a part of. Or the...yeah, the part that gets the building and all that sort of thing. Now, would they be guaranteed a job? If it's...if it would be possible or chosen by the K-12 board to reduce staff, then they would go through the staff, the RIF procedures, I think that's the correct acronym there, as any other teacher in the K-12 system. So they would have the same basis for seniority and those kinds of things that typically gets...they wouldn't be discriminated against, in terms of...

SENATOR SMITH: Right. So the selection of who would teach the next year would be based on the amount of time they spent teaching, not necessarily their ability to teach, the quality issues?

SENATOR RAIKES: Well,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Stuthman.