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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. On with discussion of the Hudkins amendment. Senator McDonald, followed by Senator Heidemann and others.

SENATOR McDONALD: Mr. President and members of the body, I'd like to ask Senator Raikes a couple of questions.

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

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR McDONALD: Senator Raikes, do you know how many school districts will close in September of 2005 if LB 126 passes?

SENATOR RAIKES: No. That would not be my decision.

SENATOR McDONALD: But do you know how many would? I mean, do you have a list of schools that would...

SENATOR RAIKES: You said in September of this...that...you're asking about this coming September?

SENATOR McDONALD: Or if ...

SENATOR RAIKES: And you're speculating that LB 126 passes and that you're talking about the decisions of local boards to close school buildings in September, which would be before any deadline set by LB 126, if I'm hearing you correctly.

SENATOR McDONALD: Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: I don't know the answer to that.

SENATOR McDONALD: Don't know the answer to that. Do you know then, counting the year after that, do you know how...what list of schools would close? So you have no idea how many would close.

SENATOR RAIKES: No, I don't know about specific school