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been a good discussion. Senator Bourne just mentioned again the judges situation and I think Senator Stuhr responded to that appropriately, in that that was a situation where the state was in control of judges' salaries and also in control of retirement. That is not the case here. This...each school district would deal with teacher salaries in that school district, and as long as there is some increase, and there almost always is, or there...I don't know of a situation where there isn't, the judges' lawsuit problem does not arise. Also was mentioned that we're talking about \$15 million additional expense to schools on a \$900 base. That's not correct. It's only half of the \$15 million. It's only \$7.5 million, and the \$900 million is only the state aid. The total funds available to school districts are \$2 billion and a little bit more. So we're talking about a \$7.5 million increase in obligation on a \$2 million (sic) base. Now keep in mind additionally, we already know from the certification that schools are going to get more than \$60 million additional in state aid for the first year of the two-year period that we're talking about. The amount of additional funding they'll get through property taxes is not yet known, but we do know that the valuation increases are averaging something over 4 percent. So it's not as though schools are going to be facing a huge increase in costs with no additional resources. The additional resources...and I'm defending the additional resources, because K-12 schools participated very strongly in the budget problems we had a couple years ago, so to a certain extent they are just coming out of the cuts they've had. But nonetheless, those cuts amount to, just this year, just this coming year, an additional \$60 million. My additional point: In our discussion yesterday, which I also thought was a good one, you have to talk about priorities. As far as funding K-12 schools, the current proposals, I think, both by the Governor and by the Appropriations Committee, are flatlining special education. I submit to you that dealing with the financial situation K-12 schools face on special ed is a much more important issue than is this retirement, which I'm not going to describe as minuscule but it is certainly small compared to special ed. We've got to decide what it is we think is more important in terms of addressing the financial fiscal needs of K-12 schools. This is an issue, but it does not rank in importance certainly with