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what the committee needs?

SENATOR STUHR: Well, I would...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Would you be vexed a little bit?

SENATOR STUHR: Well, yes, I would be.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Senator Beutler you should be vexed at because he beat me to the punch. Thank you. (Laugh)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Kremer, followed by Senator Beutler and others.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members of the body. The distance learning concept and hooking up the schools and the consortiums has been something that's been an interest to me for some time. I've been a member of the school board and also the Edgerton hands-on science center in Aurora has a distance learning classroom that teaches science classes from there and I know they've hooked up with NASA and some others to do this. And my first year down here, I...or maybe in '99 or 2000, one of the other, we had realized that the schools all added incentive to hook up to distance learning but that incentive money had run out and there were a number of schools that still had not been hooked up. So...and I think it was a bill that Senator Bromm had introduced and I prioritized that that we would take some lottery money and provide money for all the balance of the schools to hook up to distance learning. And I guess I'd like to ask Senator Stuhr some questions and just see where we're at in that. Do...are all of the schools now...and that time it was even permissive. If they did not want to utilize that money and hook up to distance learning, they did not have to. Are all schools hooked up, have the facilities and equipment for distance learning now or how many are still lacking in that area?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Stuhr, would you yield to...

SENATOR STUHR: Yes. Senator Kremer, I can only say that what we have been talking about are about 300 school districts.