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those of you who are not term limited, or those of you who will be around a lot longer than I, brace yourselves for the criticism that I think will happen several years down the road because we are forcing, we are forcing school districts to keep certain buildings open, based on arbitrary thresholds that have nothing to do with quality. This is a control battle, and nothing else. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. On with discussion. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, I rise in support of the amendment, and to thank all of the people on both sides of this who have spent so much effort. This is one of those issues that it's pretty hard to find a gray on it. It's been black and white. And I think we've found the gray, and I'm glad we have. And I appreciate everybody who's worked to find the gray. And I would yield the rest of my time to Senator Raikes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Senator Brown and Mr. President, members. I'll quickly finish this bullet sheet. I hope I covered the money that would provide, admittedly a small, but an incentive for a bond issue to be passed, where it is clear, through the state board, that such is needed. There are a couple of technical points regarding clarification of items. And you'll notice the very last one, I think, reflects a theme that if there is agreement locally to do something other than what is prescribed in here in the way of a particular procedure, but yet achieves the same result, then that will be honored. So with that, thank you, and I urge your support of the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes and Senator Brown. Senator Heidemann, followed by Senator Flood.

SENATOR HEIDEMANN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, fellow members. I just wanted to share a little bit with you about what you're going to vote for, kind of more of the fiscal side. I sit on the Appropriations Committee, and one of the things...there was many things that concerned me on LB 126. But one of the things