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SENATOR RAIKES: Again, Senator, the K-12s continue to qualify. Our focus here was on those school systems that, given the reorganization, would no longer qualify for any REAP money, because they would exceed the 600-student cap.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Well, then, like, Sioux County, I know they won't exceed 600 students, and neither will Gordon-Rushville put together, I'm sure, won't exceed 600 students.

SENATOR RAIKES: And they would qualify, then, for REAP grants, Senator.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Okay. But should they have been on this list, then? Or...I guess my question is...I'm concerned that if they're not on the list that they won't receive any REAP funds. That's what my concern is.

SENATOR RAIKES: No, that is not the concern. In fact, if you're on this list, you won't receive REAP grants. If you aren't on this list, chances are, you would. Although certainly, Lincoln Public Schools and Omaha Public Schools and so on would not be eligible for any REAP grants.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yeah. Now, if they do receive some of this REAP funds, that money goes into the general fund of the K-12 district that's formed up? Is that correct?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR LOUDEN: And then, in other words, some of the smaller schools in the areas that were qualifying for REAP funds, they might not necessarily receive any funding whatsoever, depending on what the K-12 school board decides to do with that money. Is that correct?

SENATOR RAIKES: Senator, I'm sorry, I didn't listen as carefully as I should have. Could you give me that once more?

SENATOR LOUDEN: Yeah. If some of these small schools that's in these K-12 districts then that qualified for REAP funds,