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from, I wrote the numbers down...irrational. I can't understand why they think we could believe that kind of a comment. I have gotten some support this morning and yesterday, e-mails and so from board members in my area who are working yet with some Class I's out there. They support LB 126, the administrators in particular. I served on a board for 12 years out there and, although I was never involved with Class I's, there is still a Class I with some land affiliated with our unified district. I know they've had some serious accounting problems out there and it's difficult to administer taxes and the accounting process through the county treasurer's office. There were some mistakes made. I don't know who's to blame out there, but there were mistakes made. It took a long time to straighten this all out. There was an unwillingness to cooperate when the mistake was discovered and it took a threat of a lawsuit, as I understand it, and I said I'm not on the board, wasn't at the time, but serious problems. Then we have the problem that shows up in the paper today. I think it's out here at Hickman, I believe it is, south of Lincoln--no district students. It takes the county...or the state board of reorganization to say you have to close. The statutes are clear on that, but yet they're not willing to obey the law. It's time to move ahead. We've worked on this issue a long time. We had 35 votes on Final Reading before you had your arms broken. You were using good judgment at that time, I really believe. Thirty-five senators voted for the bill. I wouldn't want some broken arms to change your votes. I think we used good judgment when we passed the bill initially or on Final Reading there with 35 votes, and I would strongly support that we...or strongly suggest or hope that we all continue to support LB 126 and vote to override the veto. And with that, I would yield the balance of my time to Senator Brown. I think Senator Brown...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brown.

SENATOR BAKER: ...would like the balance of my time. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Senator Baker. Another admonition