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get distributed some place else. And that is the way it should be, because we are higher income. But there's a point of equity. And I'm not certain that...and I'm not...even my reservations about the funding formula on the county side, it doesn't have that big of an impact to Douglas County. It has a bigger impact to some of the counties like Senator Johnson's county and Senator Pederson's county, that are commerce areas within rural areas. And so I truly believe, and maybe I'm just trying to convince myself of that (laugh), but I truly believe that I was looking out...looking at it really from the standpoint of what is best for the state of Nebraska. Is it best at this time to add money to a formula that I believe is flawed? Is it best at this time to add more state money to offset something at the TEEOSA level, when I'm not certain that this is the best mechanism to do it? Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown. On with discussion. Senator Kopplin on the Baker amendment.

SENATOR KOPPLIN: Thank you, Mr. President, colleagues. I'm going to oppose this amendment, but I'm looking at it a little bit differently, and I just want to make one brief point, because I've seen it done here on the floor before. I'm sure it's going to come up many times again. I hear my friends out in the administrative...school administrative field make the same statement, and that's always, well, if we lose money here, we get it back in state aid. The money is still coming from somebody's pocket, and when you...it should be the responsibility of every school superintendent in the state to get as many resources as he can, or she can, to keep that...to keep the state from having to make up things they shouldn't have to make up, and this is an example of it. Don't worry if we take the money out of here, because state aid will make up for it. It's still an increase in money somewhere. So if you need to increase transportation funds, and I agree you do, but let's do it as transportation funds and get out from under this feeling that it doesn't matter what we do, state aid will make it up. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kopplin. Further discussion on the Baker amendment, AM2605? Senator Baker, there