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coursework between each other.

SENATOR FISCHER: Do schools have to share only within their ESU grouping?

SENATOR RAIKES: No. Anywhere...they have to do through the Distance Education Council, which is a statewide entity, but as long as they go through that coordinating mechanism, then they get incentives for sharing anywhere in the state, which, by the way, is the big change, which I certainly hope will bring school districts from the eastern end of the state into the mix.

SENATOR FISCHER: What if schools districts want to share outside of their own ESU and, for one reason or another, and I think this was brought up earlier, possibly by Senator Erdman in the discussion, they aren't able to get in on that pod? They're too far down the line; they can't get in for the courses, or else the way the rooms are currently set up, you could only have four or five schools participate at once, and they may be the sixth or the tenth school that wants to participate in that course. How are we going to help those districts?

SENATOR RAIKES: Well, a good question, and one of the...I think with Senator Erdman, the schools he was mentioning, one of the changes that will help, I'll put it that way, is switch from the JPEG technology to the IP technology, which makes the use of the Internet much more efficient. So in effect, there's not...there's a whole lot less of the line that is filled up by any one course offering, so that it should be...there should be much...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...greater capacity for course sharing. So that's certainly one thing that ought to help.

SENATOR FISCHER: I'll trust you on that one.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay.

SENATOR FISCHER: I'm not high tech on that. Can you tell me,