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are unequalized schools that they would not get any additional funding to comply with LB 1208?

SENATOR RAIKES: That would be true in the sense of the allowance but, by and large, your nonequalized schools, you're talking about schools that have enough local wealth that they don't qualify for any state aid. And the allowance mechanism, if that's what you're referring to,...

SENATOR COMBS: Yeah.

SENATOR RAIKES: ...is a state aid formula mechanism, so that that works through the aid formula. But again, yes, a nonequalized school that doesn't, by definition, get equalization aid wouldn't get the extra funding due because of that. But on the other hand, by definition, they're a school district that has plenty of wealth locally that they don't qualify for state help. So I hope that answers your question.

SENATOR COMBS: Yes. Thank you. So that does...for those schools anyway, it would be an unfunded mandate and...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR COMBS: ...and I think there would be some question as to whether or not, depending on how much it costs, that that could be borne by the budget in these schools. I just hesitate to put a mandate on schools when there might not be proper funding there to do it. And like Senator McDonald, with the amendment that we're currently talking about, removing funding when we're not even sure the total cost of it and designating it for another well-deserved purpose, and although well-deserved, I'm not sure that it would be responsible to do that. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Combs. Senator Smith. This will be your third time, Senator.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President, members. If Senator Raikes would yield to a question or two.