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the repeal because that was what gave me the leverage on the suburban schools;...

SENATOR MINES: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that as long as that law was on the books, they were in danger of losing their identity. But if it were taken off the books, then they would be safe. But before I would let that happen, they would have to look at the issue that I'm raising where the...although the people in my area are a part of OPS, we ought to have a district. So we were...

SENATOR MINES: But just in practical application, Senator, and I understand, but if OPS should file suit tomorrow,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Uh-huh.

SENATOR MINES: ...would that not stop the proceedings, or not what we're doing, we can do anything we want to do, but wouldn't the court base their judgment on the previous law and not what we do after the lawsuit by enacting this?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If no change had occurred in the law, the case, if it was heard by the court, would be heard on the basis of the filings that caused the court to act.

SENATOR MINES: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But the mere filing of a lawsuit does not mean the court is going to actually hear it and decide it before whatever we do takes effect. And OPS realizes that the threat of something...

SENATOR MINES: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...is more effective than actually doing it, or they would have filed their lawsuit.

SENATOR MINES: Thank you. You've answered my question. I was just...just from a practical perspective, I wanted to know what might happen from there on. Mr. President, may I ask Senator