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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Synowiecki.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Cornett, I know you withdrew your amendment. Would you yield though, if you're going to bring it back on Select? When we're speaking...Senator Cornett?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Cornett, would you yield?

SENATOR CORNETT: Yes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: When we're speaking of impact aid, essentially we're talking about the disproportionate amount of military housing in your district which the local school district does not have the opportunity to collect property tax revenue. Is that correct?

SENATOR CORNETT: That is correct. Most people in the state don't realize that Bellevue is the third poorest property tax district in the state because we have so much federal land. The only two poorer property tax districts are the reservations. And because of our high percentage of military students that their parents do not pay...that live on base housing, the federal government makes up a percentage of that money with impact aid that we do not receive in property tax.

SENATOR BOURNE: And your amendment seeks to ensure that that rather large amount of appropriation is not lost to the Bellevue School District.

SENATOR CORNETT: That is correct. Impact aid is based on the percentage of military students in a district. Bellevue is considered a severely impacted district and because of that, we receive impact aid. But the thing to remember is the impact aid is not fully funded for the amount of tax dollars that we do not receive.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: I appreciate that, Senator Cornett. I just needed some background relative to that. Senator Raikes, would you yield?