

this time, I don't know. But I still think we need to reject the Withem amendment. We have an acceptable amendment to follow it. I do not believe that Select File...or Final Reading is the place to address this very, very controversial issue.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I stand to support the Withem amendment and I've heard my good friends, Senator Jones and Senator Dierks, and I know...I know what the feeling is, Senator Jones, because two or three years ago I got...they said to me, Brother Bud, we're going to baptize you and anoint you. And I got anointed with about 200, \$250,000 for my school district; was called hold harmless and it's still on. But I know what the feeling is, Senator Jones, and it's not very good, I can tell you that. And Senator Dierks says that his school districts are the Class Is spend their money frugally, and I believe that. I think my school districts do too. And you talk about your computer systems, what would they do with the compute systems? I don't know what they did in my district when they got...each district got cut from 50 to 60 thousand dollars, but they didn't...they haven't had that money for two years. And...but I know what the feeling is and it hurts, doesn't it? I know it does. But I...I think this is something that you can't defend in the long run and I think with the delay of two years I think it's a...I think it's a good way to go. In fact, you have two years to change it you want to. But there's nothing that divides the Legislature like state aid, but I guess, in all honesty, you've got to stand up and defend...defend your own turf and that's what I'm doing. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Robinson. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Question.

SPEAKER BAACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. We will now vote on ceasing debate. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay on the motion to cease debate.

SPEAKER BAACK: Debate has ceased. Senator Withem, would you like to close on your amendment?