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SENATOR CLARK: Senator Rod Johnson is next.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Question.

SENATOR CLARK: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate has ceased. Senator Vickers, do you wish to close?

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, as Senator Warner indicated, this has the salary adjustment for the Department of Education and also the Driver's Ed monies in it. I want to remind you the Driver's Ed monies, as Senator Wagner pointed out to you, are derived from a fund created by this body a few years ago and many of you will remember that when we raised the driver's license fees by \$1 and the agreement at that time was that that \$1 would go into the general fund because there was some concern by Senator Warner and others about earmarking, but it would go into the general fund and that monies then would be used for the Driver's Education program. I want to also remind you that these monies have been spent. The school districts spend these dollars and then the state reimburses them the next year, the next fiscal year. So these dollars are already spent. Also I want to remind you that if we don't spend these dollars, that property taxes are going to have to pick it up. Now those of you that are concerned about property taxes might want to vote for the override. The other question about the special salary adjustment for the Department of Education, the Department of Education is out of sync with the other departments and other state agencies. I have here in my hand a comparison and as an example and this is an individual that worked at the Department of

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