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SENATOR ABOUD: Well, I guess I don't agree with you on that, on that issue. I think that property taxes are certainly a concern to the constituents in my district. And to belittle my district and say that they have absolutely no concern and they have a free, free rein in hiring teachers whenever they want to is, is really an insult (interruption)...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: No, and I didn't mean that if you took it wrong. I'm just saying that the policy of Westside is that they take...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...all option students, no questions asked, even if they're full or not.

SENATOR ABOUD: Well, they do that because of the, I assume because of the statutory requirements and they have a general philosophy of allowing option students in. Now that may...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: No.

SENATOR ABOUD: ...change.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: No, Senator Beutler (sic), that's not true, they do it because...

SENATOR ABOUD: Abboud.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...they have the dollars to do it.

SENATOR ABOUD: Senator Abboud. My name's Senator Abboud, not Beutler.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: You're so easily confused, I apologize.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yeah. Well the issue really is, I guess my belief, Senator Bernard-Stevens, is that when you get into questions of educational philosophy and you're talking about some major changes, and none of my school districts have contacted me about it, but you're telling me that they feel it's an important issue. I don't know. I just, just a little bit concerned. I know we have another amendment that's coming down