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SENATOR BROMM: Certainly try.

SENATOR ELMER: Senator Bromm, let's take an extreme example, using this weighted average, or this average budgetary authority that we're talking about with this amendment. And say we have a Class I that is mandatorily affiliated and has the common levy, that's requesting \$22,000 per student, and say 20 students. And the high school district with which you're affiliated is 6,000 per student. So the average of that, 6 and 22 being 28, divided by 2 is \$14,000, and that's 8,000 above what the high school is currently spending. Should there be any upper limit on what the Class I can request in this type circumstance, do you think?

SENATOR BROMM: Well, the amendment, as it was originally drawn on Wednesday, or discussed on Wednesday, would have had...would simply...the limit would have been the per pupil cost in the elementary grades of the high school district. So this makes a ceiling of the average of those two amounts, Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Um-huh.

SENATOR BROMM: Now, that's for one year, of course, and then the next year the ceiling would be halfway in between again, and you sort of have a...

SENATOR ELMER: Right.

SENATOR BROMM: ...you have sort of a stair-stepping down to that average cost.

SENATOR ELMER: So it may be painful for a while, but the pain is going to get a little less...

SENATOR BROMM: Yeah.

SENATOR ELMER: ...as you heal.

SENATOR BROMM: And it's certainly less expensive than the present system where they simply have to take the budget as proposed and somehow assimilate it into the high school budget.