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PRESIDENT: What is your pleasure regarding the bill gentlemen? Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: How can he say it won't cause a problem with some of them because he doesn't know the problems of the school district of his own and when he answers for all of them, it could, would be a problem. I'd hate to be in the position of answering for 1,000 some school districts in the State if they ever had, if this would create a problem.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: First of all Mr. Chairman, I would probably note that I know the condition of my school district probably as well or maybe a little better than Senator Syas knows his, and I would assume that based on the current trends and salaries settlements none have been in the neighborhood of that degree. I'd say the average salary settlement has been more like, 55, 56, 57, that constitutes 85% of your budget, and I would assume that your fixed charges, Senator Syas, would not be at the level of 11 or 12 or 14% which would be the money that remained after that.

PRESIDENT: We still have 172 on select file with the amendment now. What do you want to do with the bill?

SENATOR LEWIS: I move the bill be advanced.

PRESIDENT: Motion now is to advance LB 172 from select file to final E & R, excuse me, Senator Stull.

SENATOR STULL: I would like to ask Senator Lewis a question. Senator Lewis is this increase based on general fund, appropriation or on the total amount of budget that they had in previous year.

SENATOR LEWIS: Be total dollars, I would assume.

SENATOR STULL: Well let's be sure about that because it makes alot of difference.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well, I would assume that we would be talking in terms of 8% of their previous years budget. Operational.

SENATOR STULL: If we're not, you wouldn't hesitate to move it back and get it in shape so we're sure of that.

SENATOR LEWIS: I would absolutely agree to that Senator Stull and try to work out what is right and reasonable for every school district here.

SENATOR STULL: Ok, thank-you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett, do you have a question on 172.

SENATOR BARNETT: Well, Mr. President, I really got, I think it is sort of funny. I don't know who can answer this question but we just passed an amendment and it seems like nobody knows what they voted for. Can you tell us exactly what was in the amendment Senator Carpenter, so somebody can tell us what was just passed by this body, of which I didn't vote for?

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, my understanding, most people felt that 5% was sufficient and that for the many