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school to the right, reduce their mil levy below the 33 mils but it won't help the school which has the higher mil levy and it won't help them out a bit. So what I am trying to point out is that Senator Warner has always said that when we consider like property and different school districts we should have a like mil levy. I'll agree to that and if that is the case then we are going to have to have a uniform mil levy. We are going to have to pull all of these mil levies down to a uniform levy. Senator Burbach yours in these two schools will just do the reverse. I realize that it helps some for certain schools in the state but it doesn't do enough and I think Senator Burbach that you ought to put something here in addition to this which would do something like this after the word \$1,000 per pupil in other words this is the way it would read. This additional aid shall be provided to such school districts only if their current operating expenditures for the preceding year exceeded \$1,000 per pupil and then insert, or if the mil levies are greater than the average mil levy of the school districts of those counties in the state having the greatest population. Then we take the county mil levies for the five largest counties in the state and then we would make adjustments for all of the other school districts based upon their mil levies after they get down you see to the 47...based after we had 472. Now that in my judgment would bring the outstate people, the outstate school districts in line with the levies with those...the average levy of those school districts in the five largest counties in the state. Now something like that Senator Burbach I think you will have to have if we are going to actually do what I feel should be.....

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done. I would like to have Senator Burbach comment on that please.

SPEAKER: Seantor Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: I would like to respond to Senator Whitney's statement. I do admire Senator Whitney for taking a strong as stand as he does for the district that he is especially interested in and not only those but others in the state outside of his district. However Senator Whitney we are attempting here this morning to pass a bill which is not all conclusive in final in our deliberations for all times to come. I offer this amendment in good faith to remove some of the objections that you speak of. If you recall in 1965 we did pass a 25 million and then a 35 million and now we are in the position of another 20 million. But this bill here needs to be passed and this amendment needs to be adopted. We will back time after time to make those kind of adjustments as I am attempting to make here after we have the practical experience of knowing exactly where the problem areas lie. I do not tell anyone here that this is a cure all for all times, but it is a move in the right direction to attempt to close up those inequities of which you speak. It may not close them all, but only time can be more specific than we can here this morning even with computer help.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter.