

but, I feel that the rural Senators and the urban Senators should try to work together here and what we should do is to say we have got the best formula that we know, but there are some schools left with high mil levies. Way above where they should be. The computer has shown it and so the thing to do is to pull those mil levies down a ways. How far? Depending upon how much of that money would run out. If we could pull them all down to that level, then and there is more money left over, then it would be put back into the hopper and be distributed to all of the schools in the state of Nebraska. So, if the incentive here has been to reduce property taxes to a common mil levy then you have got to vote for this amendment if this is your philosophy. If your philosophy is that it is alright to have some mil levies real high and others real low, then of course it is a different story. This amendment will pull down the highest school mil levies to a lower figure. I don't see how anybody could vote against this if they believe in the philosophy of state aid to hold this down. Now with reference to the equality of education, why is it that these schools that have higher mil levies have them? Because they are being required to meet the creditation standards of the state government

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and that is why they have got them there. With local control those people all have been trying to hold on taxes. So those schools that are high cost schools are there because they have to be. In order for them to have a high quality education they have got to have those costs there. I move that this amendment be adopted.

SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question? The question before the house is the Whitney motion or the Whitney amendment on 472. All those in favor signify by saying aye, those opposed say no. OK, a machine vote is requested. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I want a record vote.

SPEAKER: Machine vote, record vote required. Have you all voted? Clerk will record the votes.

CLERK: 10 Ayes, 21 Nays and 18 not voting. (Record vote listed on page 1640 of the Legislative Journal).

SPEAKER: Motion lost. Now Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Are there further motions? I mean amendments?

SPEAKER: I would...no there are none.

SENATOR WARNER: I think that this bill has been adequately discussed, I recognize that there may be some refinements yet in the bill once it has all been typed with the discussion being as it was today I think that we can again look at it on Select File. I move to advance the bill.

SPEAKER: Alright you heard the motion and the second to advance 472. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 32 Ayes, 3 Nays and 14 not voting.

SPEAKER: The motion is carried and the bill is advanced to E & R.