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SENATOR MURPHY: Yes, fine.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay. Senator Koch, do you yield?

SENATOR KOCH: Yes, I do.

SENATOR MURPHY: Do you concur in the...?

SENATOR KOCH: The answer to your question, Senator Murphy, is that that would have been a state aid, part of the state aid program. What Senator Simon is trying to do would have no effect upon that because state aid only recognizes that first child anyway under this. If that bill had been in effect it basically would have allowed \$26,000 more to be distributed under state aid for transportation purposes to Class 3 school systems.

SENATOR MURPHY: So really there is a fiscal impact to the state then of some \$26,000 or \$27,000....

SENATOR KOCH: Not any more than what we presently have in state aid because we have still got \$55,000,000, period. That is all we are going to have obviously, too, for a while.

SENATOR MURPHY: In other words, we would be shifting the money from other schools in order to accomplish this?

SENATOR KOCH: I suppose there would be \$26,000 going somewhere but you want to remember this and I will speak to Senator Cullan's question as well. Class 6s have no responsibility for transportation so when he talks about special class legislation, that is a great example and so do several others have no obligation but the 3s, 4s and 5s do. Now that is rather tragic as well. So in reality what you are doing with that \$26,000, you are sort of divvying it up among the 3s, 4s and 5s because your other ones that are not eligible for state aid for transportation but neither do they transport anyone.

SENATOR MURPHY: Thank you. I think that answers my question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Koch, do you have additional remarks? Okay. The motion before the house is the advancement of 425 to E & R for engrossment.

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to speak to the motion to advance the bill?