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That never happens. We never come to the point where we don't need a program; where we don't need an agency; where we need two or three less employees; that never comes. That point never comes and that is what the public is becoming very frustrated about. They are not frustrated about the spending of public dollars. They are frustrated about the waste of public dollars. That is what they are frustrated about, so I think that when you go home and you tell your people, yes, I supported the fact that there has to be an immediate adjustment in the budget when there is a 1% increase, you are going to have to have a pretty good story to tell them that the same thing isn't true when the budget decreases. Now if you can walk that fine line in front of the voters you are a whale of a politician but I don't think you can be on both sides of this issue. I think and approximately twenty six of you thought that they needed that immediate growth factor, I would think that there ought to be at least twenty six that thinks we can reduce if there is declining population. Mr. President, I guess I will wait to close to Call for the House and the record vote.

PRESIDENT: All right. We are going to call on the same line up that I did before to see if you want to speak to this amendment to the amendment. Senator Hefner. Senator Maresh, do you wish to speak to this amendment?

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, a question or two of Senator Dworak.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dworak, will you respond, please?

SENATOR MARESH: Senator Dworak, you had a bill one time to do away with the Class 1 schools. Would this close a lot of small schools that have a declining population?

SENATOR DWORAK: I don't think so, Senator Maresh, because they would still have a vote of the people to eliminate it if they didn't wish to do that. That is up to those people.

SENATOR MARESH: To eliminate...

SENATOR DWORAK: A vote of the people can restrict the lid limitation any time, Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Either way?

SENATOR DWORAK: Either way a vote of the people will restrict the lid limit.