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LB 363

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker, I move to advance LB 363.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance the bill.  
Now Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. Chairman, a question of Senator Koch,  
please.

SENATOR KOCH: Yes, sir.

SENATOR LAMB: Under your amendment which was just adopted,  
would it be possible for a community technical college  
board to increase the mill levy above the present limita-  
tion of two mills for operational....

SENATOR KOCH: No, the only one that would be able to  
would be Western. The rest of them would have to go to  
the vote of the people.

SENATOR LAMB: I thought that was...had constitutional  
problems so you were...

SENATOR KOCH: Except there we used, Senator Lamb, we  
used a sparsity factor and the Attorney General's office  
advised me that we were possibly getting into the business  
of a class legislation for that specific area and the  
only way we could get around it was to offer this amend-  
ment in lieu of the one we adopted the other day.

SENATOR LAMB: So this...any technical community college  
board then could increase the mill levy above the two  
mills if that did not take them above the seven percent  
increase?

SENATOR KOCH: If that doesn't get them above seven  
percent. But I'm telling you, Senator Lamb, that I just  
read the mills of the other areas and there is no way  
they're going to go above that because in many cases  
they're going to be seven percent before they ever get  
there.

SENATOR LAMB: What about subsequent years? Would not  
this....

SENATOR KOCH: We have...the self-destruct is still on  
this for Western in two years as Senator Cullan put on  
the other day when they hopefully will have all their  
counties on line with the new valuations.

SENATOR LAMB: So then Western would....what about the