

will have its mill levy increased almost 50 percent and they don't deserve that. Okay, let's look at Litchfield. You also have on your desk the letter from the superintendent at Litchfield and that is a K-12 and he says...I'll just pick out parts, and he is talking about two bordering Class I's. He says, suppose both districts were to join our district. What would happen? He said, the gain of \$45,910 in tax money will not offset the loss of \$108,000 in free high tuition.

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR LAMB: So there is a problem there and this bill is trying to solve problems and I accept that and I recognize that. But it is also creating problems. So I'm suggesting at this point that while...you know, I appreciate the sympathy for agriculture among all the people on this floor including our urban counterparts, but this bill is going to put some farmers in a very drastic situation in at least these two cases I have indicated. So I suggest that we kill this bill, that the Education Committee and as Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee, I would be very active in an interim study which would try to get at the basic problem that this bill is trying to get at.

SPEAKER NICHOL: I still have eleven lights on. Senator Barrett, then Senator Beutler, then Senator Goll. Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. In spite of the eloquence of Senator Johnson, despite the excellent arguments which have been advanced by my learned colleague from the 46th Legislative District, I rise in total support of the kill motion. Let's digress for a moment away from the hysteria of this particular issue and reflect for just a moment, if you will. Let's take a different tact on what these rural schools really really mean to us. Let's think for a moment about history as Vard Johnson is always quick to remind us to do, about how this state and about how this nation and about how our schools were built. Because in this country occurred the only true revolution in man's history. All other revolutions simply exchanged one set of rulers for another. It was that simple. Hence, for the first time our founding fathers, that little band of men so advanced beyond their time that the world has never seen their like since, evolved a