

administrative costs are concerned because we have so many school districts. We have many small school districts and administratively it is not efficient, but the administrative costs of the small school has nothing to do with this program as Senator DeCamp tried to make us think. He criticized my position in opposition to the change in investments and so forth. I didn't say anything about not changing the investment. Yes, the permanent school fund money was not invested very well, but that was not saying that the idea wasn't good. I had no objection to changing the investments. As I say, 1986 it will be 12 years since the energy crisis hit us.

PRESIDENT: There is one minute left, Senator.

SENATOR REMMERS: Do we have to continue siphoning off 15 cents of every dollar that should go to the schools in this program? I think not. I think it is time to call a halt to this. A bureaucracy, as I say, is seldom sunset and the Energy Office has been working very hard. I understand the Energy Office has called senators on this issue and I'm not sure that was quite appropriate, but they are very concerned that maybe this would bring one bureaucracy to an end. I see no reason for extending it. As I said, every school administrator that I talked to, when they realized where the money was coming from and where it would go if we didn't have this program, they had no problem with sunsetting this bill. It is not a credit to our administrators that they didn't realize where this money was coming from and what it was costing them to get it. They didn't realize it was costing them 15 cents on the dollar for every dollar they got. But when they understood, they said, hey, it's time to sunset this issue. I hope that we can close this thing out in 1986, return the severance tax directly to the schools. If we want to leave it in state aid, that's fine, I won't argue that point, but I would like to see the entire amount of the severance tax go to schools which have had claim to that money for...since 1955. I hope that you will support my kill motion. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President, members, I'll be brief. We did debate this issue before and we've held it up and brought it back to this point so that you all had a chance to check out the program a little more perhaps if you