

realistically attain by 1989. So I think it is probably fairer to the public, certainly fairer in terms of pointing out exactly what it is we hope to do in a realistic way to simply say it is a \$110 million in relief that we are shooting for and then all of us try real hard to get there. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hoagland, then Senator Withem. Senator Hoagland. (Gavel.) Ladies and gentlemen, please hold it down, would you under the south balcony? You are terribly loud. Please. Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Debate has ceased. Senator Vard Johnson, would you like to close.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I think that my predecessors in speaking have said it all very well regarding the amendment. Again, my hat is off to you, Senator Schmit, in being the trailblazer which you certainly have been in terms of property tax relief, in terms of the right thing to do. We simply have taken the concept of this body overwhelmingly approved on Select File and we have put it in a form which we think, which I think, at least, is one that we can appropriate to. It is not an enormous amount...it is a large amount of money but it is not enormous in the greater scheme of things. Under the statistics that I have it would call by 1989 for an appropriation of \$110 million. Senator Warner and I have been kind of going over these figures and we have some difference of opinion on it, but \$110 million is the figure that I have from the Department of Education. In addition, it does not hamstring any individual school district. And I think, as Senator DeCamp has pointed out so wisely and so well, it really does make a major financing commitment of the state to what has traditionally been a local responsibility. Heretofore, of course, we have always used state aid as whatever gifts or grants we want to make. I