

SPEAKER NICHOL: The motion fails. Anything else, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Yes, sir. Mr. President, I now have a motion from Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp would move to return the bill for specific amendment. (See DeCamp amendment found on page 1470 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, it should be getting painfully and absolutely unequivocally clear to every opponent that this bill is going to pass. Any time you can take a bill and march it through what this bill has been through, and sustain the fight like has been done in this bill, you don't have to be too bright a senator, or too long here to know that this bill is going to pass. Now the reason I point this out is because it has been my experience and kind of my philosophy when you see reality staring in your face you deal with it. The bill is going to pass, and with the amendments that have been put on today it's going to be signed by the Governor. That's right. If you read what the Governor has said in every newspaper, in every press, his only objections were the very things that have been taken out of the bill. So when you've got the power to do that, and withstand every amendment, and every assault, you pretty soon figure out this bill is going to pass. What it's going to do, when it passes and gets signed, it's going to deal with the Class I issue as Senator Landis and Senator Johnson want to deal with it. I happen to disagree, but I don't have the votes to stop them, nor does anybody else in this room, nor is anybody else, short of a miracle, going to put them together. So when I see this pony is going to go across the finish line, I say the opponents better start doing something to make it better and to accomplish some of their goals. My goal is to change the financing system of education. The amendment of Senator Schmit, as modified by Senator Johnson, is going to go one heck of a long way towards that, in my opinion. So in a sense I've got a big vested interest in the bill. What does my amendment do? My amendment moves it up to 1986-87, or after that, on the financing and changes it to 40 percent. So, I repeat, the current system or the current bill says 45 percent, not more than 45 percent shall come from property after 1988-89. I say not more than 40 percent, a 5 percent change, and I say after '86-87. Why? Eighty-nine is five legislative