

I think it would be very unfortunate for us to say, yes, we want to put more funds back into the state colleges or the university and, yet because the tech schools have another source of income, that source being the property taxes, we are not willing to meet our meager responsibilities that we have done with 1251. So I urge the vote to override his motion, and on the next one as well. I may speak to the next one then later. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MCGINLEY PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: Senator Lundy.

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President, I would call the question.

PRESIDENT: Question has been called. Do I see five hands? There are two lights yet on. I do see five hands. I'll put the question to you. Shall the debate now close? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Motion is to cease debate. Please record your vote, aye or nay. Please record the vote. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries and the debate is closed. Senator Warner, you may close the argument.

SENATOR WARNER: Well again, Mr. President, the one thing I might point out just sort of perhaps academic interest, if you look at the amount of dollars that was distributed for state aid in the three major...four major programs since the passage of LB 816, which was in 1982. During that period of time, including the vetoes, we will have reduced aid to local governments by \$20,593,000 if the veto is sustained. If the veto is not sustained we will still have reduced the amount by \$15,737,000 over that four fiscal year period, the bulk of which, of course, has come from the 3, and the 2, and the 3 percent across-the-board cuts that were necessary in two special sessions as well as the regular session in 1985. But again the basis for the recommendation, from the majority of the committee, does not relate, although we would grant it is true, does not relate to the issue of the property tax but rather with the broader policy that these were funds for education, and for that reason to be consistent with that goal that the override should occur.