

in fact, it was more a social maladjustment, if you will.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Sure.

SENATOR VICKERS: But we did not define socially maladjusted because by putting it in so that it is used as an inclusion, then it would seem to us that those children would then have to, or any children before they got in the program would then have to meet the other definitions, which are intended to be toward the educational side, which should mean they wouldn't get in the program to start with. Now, I guess that was the reason that it didn't seem like we should have to define...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Don't let me seem rude, but I'm running out of time. Some of these things that are listed under seriously emotionally disturbed, even if they are engaged in for an extended period of time, may just be a matter of social maladjustment. For example, inappropriate types of behavior or feeling under normal circumstances, all of these are subjective terms. I know they've been in the statutes. But when they come to our attention I think we have to deal with them since this program is being altered and the money available is being diminished.

SENATOR CARSTEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: There could come an incentive, if you wanted to keep salaries at a certain level, to have money to spend for that purpose rather than services to the children. So, if you cut the number of children...that is not the way really to get at what I am trying to say. I, like you, do not want children who should not be placed in this category placed there. Is it true that children, disadvantaged children, to use a very broad term, bring a school district more state aid than so-called normal children? That is true, isn't it?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, it is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And because that is true, many children in our area have been given these labels and put in these classes when they really had nothing wrong with them. So, rather than take a lot of time now, I wanted some of these issues on the record as questions because I want to discuss them with you. I don't trust these programs, and...

SENATOR CARSTEN: Time.