

everyone to the highest degree. I don't know that that's good or bad. But what I'm saying it...But Senator Abboud has touched on a very, very important part in our education system. I know it's easy to say, well it's all the administrators fault, and it may or may not be. I've had many, many school administrators contact me about this proposal. I have yet one to contact me to support it. It's fine if you senators want to hand out the money, don't you dare take it out of our state aid. And I don't blame them there. You have taken away the local control, and if you're willing to pass it out, we're willing to take it. I had one call me this morning, and I don't know as I'd go this far, but help education to greed not need. And I think this is the time that we address it. And we all know that whatever we are in life maybe starts with that one teacher, be it in second grade, be it in kindergarten, or be it my math teacher in high school, maybe that's where I get down to the 61 million and 27 cents, have to credit my high school math teacher, maybe. But it is important. But I think this is the time that we need to say, let's sit down and really address our education system. And I, along with others, have a real problem in where that money is even going to come from to do this. But that's not the point of Senator Abboud's amendment. Right now Senator Abboud is getting at the heart of our property tax situation and our education system. So I commend him for bringing that amendment to us.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Landis, did you wish to discuss the Abboud amendment? Senator Lynch.

**SENATOR LYNCH:** Mr. Speaker and members, just make sure the record indicates, based on what Senator Abboud described of how I understand the budget recommended by the Governor. The Governor did include not \$15 million, but \$20 for health. Now our appropriations process and budget decided that, based on the fact that it was a piece of legislation on the floor, it should not be included in our mainline budget, and that we should have the opportunity to talk about that funding on the floor. That's the reason we're here today. But the 20 million was, in fact, in the Governor's budget. As far as tenure is concerned, tenure has been an argument, not just at the K through 12 level, but even importantly at the university level as well. You may remember a couple years ago a university item in the budget that created \$5 million to buy out tenured professors at the university. Wasn't a bill on the floor, but there was \$5 million there because of that. Tenure can be as bad or as