

February 23, 1965

Mrs. Orville Brooks

Dear Mrs. Brooks:

I certainly share with you your concern about the education of our children. It is quite important that we do aid the school districts which need the help and I shall work toward that end.

I do not, however, believe that any given sum of money at the state level will assure that help to the school district unless we have a proper distribution formula. I hope that we can improve this formula.

I am not at all convinced that the sales tax is any answer to our problem, but merely shifts the burden of our problem to the shoulders of those less able to protect themselves. I am hopeful that a more equitable tax might be devised and adopted by this legislature.

Thank you for your letter.

Very truly yours,

James A. McClure
Senator, Payette County

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