

broaders that statute a little bit and broadens the amendment just a little bit, and makes sure that that phase-in applies to all Class I districts that join a Class VI district, as well as those that affiliate. With that, I'd be happy to answer any questions, if I could.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Anyone care to discuss the amendment? Seeing no one, Senator Baack. Senator Baack will not close. We will move to vote on the amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Baack's amendment.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: The amendment is adopted. Back to the bill. Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes, Mr. Chairman and colleagues, the bill has been explained through the amendments that we have done, and I went into a short explanation at the beginning. If anyone has any questions, I would be happy to answer those questions, but the bill is mainly just to clean up some problem areas that we have experienced so far as the choice bill is implemented across the state. Thank you.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Senator. The first speaker is Senator Wehrbein, followed by Senator Robax.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. President, and members. Senator baack, I just have a quick question. I was looking through this. It doesn't look like...there is no money of any significance in this bill at all. They were all truly technical. I just wanted to clarify in my mind that what I read was correct, right.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Wehrbein, that is absolutely correct. There is a change, and we are dealing with the changing of the funding for the choice program, but that has actually been incorporated into LB 698, which is the department's clean-up bill, so there are no changes in the funding portions of choice in this bill.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you. I just wanted to be sure that what I heard is what I understood, so that is all.