

SENATOR HARTNETT: A question. I understand and I support the amendment. My question is this, looking at Senator Bohlke, do you have a...you know, if you have a grade school...say a student goes to kindergarten in a town and then they elect to go to a parochial school in the...and it's a, say it's a parish school, it ends at the eighth grade, and then there's a high school in the same community, do they lose, do they have to go...and that's a different school, I mean just more for clarification is all.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Right, and I appreciate that. The wording actually says, upon the completion of the grade levels offered at the private or parochial school. So the school, the entire district, if they have, for example, at North Platte they...they went to Nor...they optioned from one of the communities into the North Platte public schools, then said, no, I want to go into St. Pat's, that would be it for them because even though if they went into the elementary, the school offers grade levels past the eighth grade into high school. So they have to stay there,...

SENATOR HARTNETT: Okay.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...unless they choose, as we could on any choice bill, go back to the home district, the resident district, if they wanted to do so. It would only be in a case if St. Patrick's did not have a high school, but they just had a K-8, no high school, there's no where else for the child to go, we wanted to be able to still have them be able to choose to go back to the resident and/or the original option district that they chose to do. So I appreciate that clarification.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yeah, thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, Mr. President, members, Senator Bernard-Stevens, one question for clarification.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, ma'am.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Does home school, are they included under