

I am going to give the rest of my time to Senator Lamb. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. You have 2 1/2 minutes.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President, members, I will have to admit that this amendment was drafted, this amendment was drafted before Senator Baack's amendment, that I knew about it with the phase-in program. So with that in mind, I think that the validity is still there but I suspect that with the adoption of Senator Baack's phase-in program which was not in the amendment before, at this point I would withdraw this amendment and go onto the next one, please.

PRESIDENT: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator, the next amendment I have is AMO472. It is on page 813, as well, Senator.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President, members, this is also in your Journal on page 813. This is the one that is number (2). It is AMO472 in your Journal, a very simple one. It strikes "one school year" and inserts "four school years", so if you make this decision to switch schools, you are stuck for four years. You can't switch back and forth. You can't go for a year and then decide you don't like it and then go back to the other school. This, in my opinion, makes a lot of sense. This is going to improve the method by which this procedure takes place, that people that decide they want to change schools are going to be really sure that they do want to change before they make that decision. And if theirs is a frivolous decision, which under the amendments that we have previously adopted, can be the only reason they have, then this will make them sit back and take notice and say, hey, this is for the rest of my time in high school, or this is for a considerable period of time. So I think that we should lock them in. If they are going to make that decision, then it should be for a period of four years. Now a number of school administrators have complained that LB 183 provides great instability to the management of a school district, and particularly in regard to finances, and the idea for this amendment comes from a proposal in the Iowa Legislature which requires that the transferring students spend at least four years in their new district, unless they move. Now I