

CLERK: Mr. President, I have pending the committee amendments as amended.

SPEAKER BARRETT: To the committee amendments. Senator Baack, would you care to handle them at this point?

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members, I think we've had a very thorough discussion of the committee amendments. I don't think there is any part of it that we haven't gone over in this body and we've had a good discussion for two days. And I think it was time for the Legislature to have this discussion of quality education. We're...we have an opportunity here to do something that puts us on the cutting edge of what's going on in education these days and I think with that I'll just urge your adoption of the committee amendments. We've had plenty of discussion on all of them. I don't think there is any part of them that we haven't discussed, so I would just urge your adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. There are no other lights on. May the Chair assume that was your closing, Senator Baack? The question then before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The committee amendments are adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Baack, on the bill as amended.

SENATOR BAACK: I think we've...you know, the same as on the committee amendments. The committee amendments are pretty much the bill now and we've discussed the concept for two days and I would just reserve any remarks I have. If anyone else is going to comment, I would probably close, but with that I would just urge advancement of 183. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion, Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Mr. President and members, I'm sure