

deal with special education under choice. No other state has looked at that. They haven't even designed anything in choice to look at how to deal with special education. We do that in choice in Nebraska. Another...another thing that I think we say, if we pass choice, is that we're no longer going to stand for status quo. We're not going to just sit back and say, what we have been doing in the past is good enough. I think we have good schools in the State of Nebraska but I think they can be better and I think choice affords that opportunity for them to be better. I think the thing to realize under choice is that everyone in this state is going to have a choice, not just the ones that change school districts, everyone will have a choice and most people are going to make the choice to stay where they are.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR BAACK: They're going to stay in the school system where they're at because they're satisfied with that school system. That's the choice they're going to make. With that, I would urge the body to adopt choice. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Dierks, did you withdraw the motion?

SENATOR DIERKS: I would like to have that opportunity.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, I believe we can read the bill then if there is nothing further.

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

SPEAKER BARRETT: Proceed.

CLERK: (Read LB 183 on Final Reading.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 183 become law? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 2608 of the Legislative Journal.) 27 ayes, 20 nays, 2 excused and not voting, Mr. President.