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will save the state a lot of money and besides that, it will benefit the young girls that will be put, or the state wards I should say, females, that are placed at Uta Halee and will enjoy and share in the success that Uta Halee Girls Village has had in the past, so I urge the adoption of the amendment to the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Any further discussion on the Lynch amendment? Seeing none, Senator Lynch, do you wish to close?

SENATOR LYNCH: I think we've discussed it I think enough. It is fairly simple. I would like to point out though that I'm told by the fiscal office who, by the way, since I've been on the Appropriations Committee, I have come to deeply respect and admire, that the possibility exists that the A bill could be high. Like most people who have to predict how much things will cost, they would rather err on the high side rather than the low side. So I'm sure that that is an absolute highest possible cost and hopefully it can be lowered. The principle remains the same at any cost and I would very much appreciate your support. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: You've heard Senator Lynch's closing. We will now vote on the amendment offered by Senator Lynch. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 24 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of Senator Lynch's amendment to the amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment is offered by Senators Schrock and Dierks. It is AM1354.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, this amendment was discussed in committee and was passed unanimously by a voice vote. Of course it fell by the wayside when 698 was amended onto 719. What this amendment would do, it would allow schools to cooperate on their education and be able to count that for accreditation purposes as one school, but they could still be two separate school systems. There are presently six school systems in the State of Nebraska cooperating or they are cooperating as three units. And I would like to describe to you