

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Lynch's amendment to Senator Warner's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The amendment is adopted. Does anyone wish to speak to the Warner amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing? Closing is waived. We will now vote on the Warner amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Warner's amendment to the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: The Warner amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Beutler would move to amend. (The Beutler amendment, AM2031, appears on page 2379 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, my amendment is being passed out to you and it's basically a simple clarifying amendment. It has to do with the definition of eligible postsecondary educational institution and there are a number of criteria that the postsecondary education institution has to meet. One of them has to do with accreditation and I'm simply clarifying that provision to make it absolutely clear that any institution, in order to be eligible under this bill, would have to be accredited by a member of the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation. The Council on Postsecondary Accreditation is the cover institution that has a number of members who regionally accredit educational institutions such as the North Central Accreditation which has accredited most of the institutions that will benefit from this bill. And this cover institution and its membership are the institutions that the federal government relies upon, as I understand it, in order to have some controls or some concept that this money is going to a legitimate education institution. And that's the only purpose to my amendment is to be sure that somebody just can't create a university all of a sudden and demand funds, that there has to be some evidence there that this is a legitimate institution. So that's all that the amendment does. Of the institutions that are involved or that would benefit from this bill, I have been able to track down, with a little help from my friends, that all of them are accredited by