

SENATOR BOHLKE: In my mess here, I am trying to find the letter.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, it's being brought to you now.

SENATOR BOHLKE: All right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: See, people talk about the condition of my desk, but I can find anything I want. Those whose look...those whose desk looks very...okay, you've had time to find it. Senator Bohlke, would you look at the second paragraph.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now the last sentence says, "Each state's law also must allow the chief administering officer of the local educational agency to modify the expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis."

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you agree that means that's mandatory, that that must be in the bill?

SENATOR BOHLKE: But the law...the law, itself, must...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The policy that is adopted must authorize...

SENATOR BOHLKE: But the law, itself, says may.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then the law is not requiring that policy, is it?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Well, I've got the law here in front of me, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If you look on page 3, starting in line 12 of your amendment, yours says the policy may authorize.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And that is what it is in law.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And doesn't the law that we are looking at, the requirements say that it must allow that to happen, not may?