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SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as others, I've...inasmuch as this amendment was a part of, I believe, LB 1385, and I believe the amendment reads verbatim with the committee amendment, does it not, that it would be consistent with the policy of incorporating what the various committees did at least in terms of bringing two bills to the Legislature. And on that basis I don't, I don't have a problem. I would share the same concern, though, that others have expressed, that if the concept of a whole bunch of studies start developing that were developed outside of the LR 206 process with the public hearings that were held and the discussions, then I would think that we could start to die of its weight. And it'd be one of the ways to make it inoperable. But inasmuch as it is, as Senator Beutler pointed out, and others, consistent with the legislation that was advanced from the Natural Resources Committee. I certainly am willing to support it, but I would not be...I would hope this would, would not be a tendency that we're going to through in a whole bunch of these kinds of concepts which had not had the type of previous hearing and discussion process that this proposal has.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Janssen has forty-nine fifth grade.s from Milliken Park School in Fremont, Nebraska in the north balcony. Could you folks stand and be recognized please. Senator Wehrbein, on the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members, Senator Beutler, I would like to ask a question or two about the proposed possible cost involved in this study, if you have some figures. I have some figures.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler, will you respond?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I was wondering if you have...I have some figures and I wondered if you had some figures about proposed cost of what this would...I generally would support this, although I don't know whether it's automatically that we can feel natural resource districts merge. But there is cost in the study of this,...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.