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form, at LB 495 as something more than Senator Stuhr's attempt or rather slam against the educational system in the state of Nebraska. If this...if the subject matter of 495 needs to be done, it can obviously be done only because the education system has not done it to date, which is to prepare people for careers. Senator Bruning's amendment at least goes directly to the source of youth, which is what this is about now, this is about mentoring youth, Senator Stuhr, by study, Senator Bruning, by mentoring the young people themselves. On that basis, to me, there is absolutely a direct connection between Senator Bruning's amendment and the original purpose of the bill, and the original purpose of the bill as amended. Of course, by the time you look at 390 and all of the amendments, you're going to have to worry about what the committee amendments say now. But I'm not going to take a lot of time on this. I think this is germane, and I recommend to you to overrule the Chair. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Hello, is it on? Oh, okay. Sometimes it doesn't work, and more times than not it doesn't. But I wasn't here for the beginning of the debate, but I would encourage the body to consider voting for overruling the Chair regarding the germaneness issue. On page 2 of the amendment, 75, which is Senator Stuhr's bill, it says, the purpose of the Education and Career Preparation Act, it talks about the focus of it, talks about the skills necessary to succeed in a career. It recognizes the range of occupations, special skills required, how to acquire the knowledge and so forth. And then you look at the amendment 951, submitted by Senator Bruning, regarding the Mentoring Act, its purpose is promote successful youth mentoring skill-building programs, which provide effective mentoring services to young people in the state. It seems to me that the subject matter is substantially similar, although perhaps different to some extent and focus. I do believe that they are germane. And, frankly, if this is a...if you don't like the amendment, fine, vote against the amendment. But really the issue here is whether it is indeed germane or not. And it seems to me just a cursory examination of both Senator Bruning's amendment and Senator Stuhr's omnibus amendment that has been adopted, that the