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issue that would...by suspending the rules, it would allow us to go forward with the bill. If we fail and we do not, as I pointed out earlier, we would have the LB 1228, last year, which said the state will go forward with an assessment, so we would have one test. We would not be able to get AM0880 done, I'm sure, this session, and so by suspending the rules you would prevent that. But also by suspending the rules I think you would allow the debate to take place that I think we need to do, as a Legislature, in determining what's the best direction to go. So, with that, I ask for your support in suspending the rules.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** We're now debating on the motion to suspend the germaneness rule to allow AM0880. I'm going to go through the list and see if you wanted to speak on the rule suspension or you want to speak to the original amendment. Senator Schimek? Senator Hartnett? Senator Tyson? Senator Beutler?

**SENATOR BEUTLER:** Senator Kristensen, members of the Legislature, obviously, given the position that I described to you earlier of being in favor of one test, I would prefer that the rules not be suspended, because we would return to the position of one test. Senator Bohlke, I'm not sure whether the debate will...should be now or later or how this should proceed. But maybe there's enough to be discussed that we should just begin to discuss it. The proposal that we're talking about right now, if we adopted it, would require...the only uniform test that it would require among the school districts would be the NAEP test to the extent that not the department but some national concern randomly picked districts in Nebraska to participate in the NAEP test. So to the extent that there was any ability at all to compare districts insofar as they are meeting or not meeting the state standards, that would be the only mechanism that could appear on the report card. Is that not accurate? The only...the only testing mechanism. I would ask to give Senator Bohlke sufficient time to answer the questions, Mr. Speaker.

**SPEAKER KRISTENSEN:** Senator Bohlke.

**SENATOR BOHLKE:** Yes, Senator Beutler, the NAEP results may not appear on the report card. What you would have on the...