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test because of the...or you can't report the scores. Excuse me. You can give the test, but you can't report the scores.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, so with regard to the Class I districts, if you have fewer than ten students in any particular grade you don't report the scores at all to the Department of Education. Is that...is that accurate?

SENATOR BOHLKE: I was turning to Legal Counsel to make sure I was correct and she said, you know, we currently don't report any scores to the Department of Education.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Right, but with the new testing requirements I assume the schools will be reporting scores to Department of Education, or they won't even be reporting scores to Department of Education?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, they would be reporting the scores.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, but Class I school districts, if they had fewer than ten students in the class that was being tested, would not even report their scores.

SENATOR BOHLKE: That...I believe that would be correct, and I will check with the department to see how they would treat that and answer...give you another answer in a few moments to verify that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And what would...what would be the pros and cons of having them participate with the affiliated schools in this process of testing, since their budgets are, although not entirely controlled, are integrated with the overall larger school system?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Well, Senator Beutler, I would assume that if...if a Class I, acting with their affiliated school district, it...and talking about developing a test, that they would be turning to that affiliated school district in working together or to the ESU, because I'm not sure, although there's some larger Class I's, but some of the smaller Class I's may not have anyone on staff with the abilities to do that, develop that kind of test, and so I'm assuming they would be going to the