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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. I want to rise briefly to acknowledge the work of the committee. There were a number of us this session, when the session began, who were interested in the governs of higher education and the structure of those sorts of things. There were a number of bills introduced to the committee, and the committee, I think, has begun to sift through those, particularly as it relates to how higher education operates in this state, what the relationship is of those institutions, what system they ought to be under and, if we identify what system they're to be under, who should do the governance. This bill obviously contains what I would perceive to be the more immediate needs. I'm comfortable with it. I just want to rise and thank the committee for their work, and I understand the committee, through this summer, will be doing an examination of the long-term things, which I think are important in this state, that's the governance of higher education and where certain institutions and the Coordinating Commission is certainly part of that, they've been a part of it, and I assume they will be a part of the study this summer, as well as state colleges, the university system, community colleges and how all of those fit in. So I do want to rise again to thank the committee for their work, support these amendments and the amendment to the committee amendments. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Crosby, your light is next.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President and members. Very quickly, Senator Bohlke, on the amendment, the amendment to the committee amendments. I want to be sure I understand...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...what...what makes...what's different than from the way it is now? I have a reason, and if you'll just tell me quickly, I'll....

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes. Currently, when...

SENATOR CROSBY: I'm reading it, but I...