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already have report cards.

SENATOR BOHLKE: You have the one that they're...that they're looking at using. I would hope that they would continue to look at others. And actually some of the ones that our schools are doing in Nebraska that I've seen are just excellent.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, I would agree. That helps me understand that portion a little bit...

SENATOR BOHLKE: There's also the cost for the design, the development and the reporting, and so that's those three items, the staffing and the cost of the reporting. I think they will be reporting these in the newspaper, I mean there will be some printing costs.

SENATOR STUHR: So the primary goal of this report card is...is, not only for communities, but then also statewide comparison, that's the purpose.

SENATOR BOHLKE: It really...it will, yes, it will provide a statewide report card and you can look at what your school is doing, and you could look at the statewide report card, and you could compare in those areas. Like I said, there may be other areas. We in this say that there would be the reporting of their current testing. So you may see how your school district does on the ACT...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...compared to the statewide average, or the Iowa Basic compared to the statewide average of the schools that use the Iowa Basic.

SENATOR STUHR: Do you imagine that the State Board of Education will be conducting hearings, so that people might have an opportunity to express what they might...some of the items that they would like to include? I know, serving on the Education Committee, we've asked for a follow-up of students and what they...what they are doing after they graduate from high schools and such. Do you foresee that there will be an opportunity for hearing?