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school within the district, or may delegate to the principals the authority to adopt a separate publication code. And then the other thing that was a concern to administrators, which I thought was clear enough in the bill but was, obviously, not clear enough in the bill, was the idea that the administrator had full authority. And so we specifically say, to make that clear, "Unless otherwise specified in the publications code, a school administrator or his or her designee shall have the authority to verify compliance with the publications code...". So the administrators, not the student, not the teacher of the publication unit...of the publication that may be involved, unless it's delegated, they are the ones who have the ultimate authority. And that same provision then is made applicable to situations where they don't adopt a code and you're operating under the statute, it has a parallel provision that says, yes, that's true if you're operating under the statute that also the administrator is the one who interprets whether the publication is appropriate under the code or under the statute. So these were concerns that I heard for the first time yesterday. I'm sorry to bring you two or three or four amendments, but I can only respond as I have the problems identified to me, and I'm doing my best to respond to these latest concerns. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator, there are no lights on. Would you like to close on part two of your divided amendment to the committee amendments to LB 182?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I would just ask the body to adopt the amendment since, from the point of view of those who are in opposition to the bill, it certainly makes it a better bill.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Beutler. The question is the adoption of part two of the Beutler amendment to the committee amendments to LB 182. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment to the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Part two of the divided question is agreed to. For discussion on the committee amendments as amended. Senator Bohlke, you're recognized to close on the amended