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SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. And then you've got this table here on the big square and there's a bunch of open cells there. For example, under quality of assessment, excellent, very good, good, and so on, what's going to be in those cells? Is that going to be a number of school systems or a number of districts or what will be in there?

SENATOR BOHLKE: The rating would...there will be a rating of each school district in the multitest as to, say, the quality of assessment. They...

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay, so quality of assessment, for example, there's a square there that has excellent on top of it. What will be in that square? Will it be a number? It will be a number of school districts?

SENATOR BOHLKE: I'm not sure, Senator Raikes, but we have someone from the department back there. Let me find that out.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. Another question then, the next line down says percent of students who meet or exceed standards; and I guess I'd have the same question there. Is that going to be a percentage in there or a...

SENATOR BOHLKE: In this first year, we are going to report a statewide average I'm certain. So that would...

SENATOR RAIKES: Well, if you jump on to the next year then, after that there would be a number of systems?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Okay. And then it says meet or exceed standards. Now we don't mandate the standards, right?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Correct.

SENATOR RAIKES: So an individual district or system may decide they don't want to accept the state's standards. So they would...even though they don't accept those standards, report how many of their students meet or exceed?