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instance, the same...how many tests are we having here is what I guess I'm thinking.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Well, currently right now all children in the Nebraska schools...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Just a standardized, right.

SENATOR BOHLKE: ...have a standardized test. In 50 school districts at least they have a writing assessment. But...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. What I'm really trying to get into is the criterion test and how many...how that's going to work. I still don't understand the rotation very well.

SENATOR BOHLKE: As I...I wanted to make sure I was correct, it's one subject matter, the first year would be reading, and then it's listed for you each year would those different ones that would be tested.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: And so if I'm a fourth grader I'll get a different one every year. If I'm a third grader, will I also get a different one every year?

SENATOR BOHLKE: If the test is given at the third grade level, say the reading test, all right, and the next year it is math as a third grader, you...the third grader who went on to fourth grade and got tested in reading, the second grader who went into third grade is going to get tested in whatever is added on.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay.

SENATOR BOHLKE: So it's really a snapshot of how that school, I mean they're testing, they're doing a sample testing of those students.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, I think that helps. I think that makes it clearer. Now on estimated cost, I was trying to listen when you and Senator Wehrbein were having your dialogue and did I understand you to say that we're talking about...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.