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floor with regard to that. It replaces the one test. We have many school districts who have been developing their own...their own criterion reference test. They will be able to go forward with that. Other schools could use those tests or very likely they may go to their Educational Service Units where they have been training teachers on the development of the criterion reference test. And other than that, I think that the discussion and the questions we've had leading up to this explained the idea...the concern people had had was that this would not be apples to apples, oranges to oranges because there would be different criterion reference tests at different schools. They will eventually come out in one grade on the report card, but with the adoption of the amendment of the writing assessment, I think that answers the question that we will have the one test on the writing assessment. This allows the Department of Education to go ahead with their plan on the multiple test to see if standards are making a difference in the classroom. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. You've heard the closing on the committee amendments to LB 812. The question is, shall the committee amendments be adopted to LB 812? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record. Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 37 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The committee amendments are adopted to LB 812. We are now open for discussion. There are other amendments, excuse me. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment I have to the bill, Senator Bohlke and Stuhr, AM2714, but I have a note you want to withdraw that.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: That's correct, withdraw.

SENATOR CUDABACK: They are withdrawn.