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ask yourself real carefully is there a reason for this; is it better? And I submit to you if you analyze what we're about to do, it is not better, it is worse, it is unworkable. If you're going to do what is in this bill today then you're better off not doing anything at all because you will not have created any expectations out there in the public. The public has heard about these standards. They think good things are going to happen as a result of this latest wave of national reform that's going through the country. But it isn't going to happen with this structure. It can't happen. There's nothing that will make it happen. Senator Bohlke, let me...let me ask you this...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...or, Senator Stuhr, I think you made the speech about local control. Let me...let me ask you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: A couple of years ago we had a bill that mandated an assessment against state standards. Were you against that?

SENATOR STUHR: I don't...I don't...I don't recall the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, it was...it was the same bill that LB 812 is now revising.

SENATOR STUHR: Oh, do you mean LB 1228? Was that...is that the one you're referring to?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah. Well, I was just interested in whether, at that point in time, you were in favor of a test against state standards. I think that you were. I think the bill was uncontested, as I recall.

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, we were looking at...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay.