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compared to where we are right now, before any statute changes, how does this compare to where we're at, at this point in Nebraska's education?

SENATOR BOHLKE: At this point in Nebraska's education, students would be taking what we talked about, the Iowa Basic, or the California Assessment, one of those. And at the end of this session, if we did nothing more, we would...next year students would have to take one test across the state.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. Now, what's the...I'm probably the only one here that doesn't know, but I need to know. What's the difference between a test and an assessment?

SENATOR BOHLKE: One is shorter than the other.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: (Laugh)

SENATOR BOHLKE: One's (laugh) a four-letter word, and one is however...there's really no...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, I notice they've been used interchangeable,...

SENATOR BOHLKE: Right, and it's, you know, some people say "test", some say "assessment".

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: But really they're talking about the same thing?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Over the years, the word "test" has been replaced with "assessment".

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: It's just a softer definition. I thought maybe there was a distinction, because I don't understand the opposition to the...I'm still not clear, and I won't take microphone time for it, but I'm not clear of the opposition to this, where we were at in the previous amendment, let's say,