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experience. When the above requirements are met, the school permit could be issued to the student at age 14 years and two months, effective until age 16. As stated earlier, there is an amendment to add on to this bill that goes back to the first portion that I talked about, to allow school permits to be used in adjacent school districts. You'll see the amendment is added on there because that was not my intent. My intent was to allow the students to use the school permit, to go to the school in which they are enrolled, not to attend a neighboring school, away basketball game, and it may not even be their school even participating. So the amendment clarifies...restricts the use of it back to the school district in which the student attends. And with that, I will return my time and look for discussion.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, you're recognized to open on the committee amendment, AM0631.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Langemeier did an excellent job of explaining the committee amendment. It strikes the language that says "or adjacent school districts" and insert only "in which he or she attends school" so that it is not as broad as the green copy. It simply says you may use a school permit to attend activities within your school district, not adjacent school districts. And that's the amendment. I'd be glad to answer any questions. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. You've heard the opening on the committee amendments by Chairman Baker. Open for discussion. Senator Erdman. He waives the opportunity. Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Thank you. Senator Cudaback and members. I stand in full support of Senator Langemeier's bill. I, too, brought a school permit bill to the Transportation Committee. It was LB 220. I had the same concerns as Senator Langemeier. In one of my counties, actually probably more than one, but it was brought to their attention that the judge was interpreting where a school permit could be used differently. And we found that across the state of Nebraska it was interpreted differently. So in one of my counties, at least one of them, it was determined that the student with a school permit could not