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again some more people from the user group, two superintendents or principals. We've reduced the representation from ESUs, distance education consortia, Department of Education and PSC from 2 members to 1 member each. We've...there remains a member from the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission. It does clarify the expertise we would like represented by the people in the postsecondary education part of the task force. And it discusses as well that the Department of Education representative would be appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council rather than the Governor. There are some other changes which, in part, repeat the changes I mentioned to you earlier in the committee amendment. This is the task force that we would like to move forward with, 15 members. We feel it's a reasonable balance between having a group that is of size that is manageable but yet represents enough of the sectors involved and enough of the expertise involved so that we can come up with a recommendation that you would find useful. With that I'll stop. I would recommend...I will urge you to support the amendment to the committee amendment, and then the amended committee amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the opening on AM1084 which is an amendment to the committee amendments to LB 689. Open for discussion, Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Kremer and others. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, are Senators Stuhr and Raikes nice people? Yes. Should there be a study? Maybe. Should there be any money besides the \$10,000 that might be granted to be frittered away if there's a study? Yes. Should there be \$10 million? Absolutely and positively not. I don't know who drafted that so I need to ask Senator Raikes a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR RAIKES: I would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Raikes, you don't need a crib note for...crib sheet for this one unless it's somebody you persuaded