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SENATOR CUDABACK: AM1109 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, anything further on the bill?

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Open for discussion. Senator Chambers, on advancement of LB 689.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, friends all, I've done a considerable amount of thinking about this bill. I had asked for some information that would give me an idea of the type and quality of education which would be provided or facilitated through what this bill is aiming to bring into being. I would like to ask Senator Stuhr a question or two.

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

SENATOR STUHR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Stuhr, in its present form, what will this bill do, for the record?

SENATOR STUHR: This will establish a task force of 16 members to come up with an improvement plan for technology across the state of Nebraska, and also to try and coordinate that technology. And that report and improvement plan will be reported to the Legislature next December, and then there will be legislation probably brought forth at that time, next session.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And, Senator Stuhr, at such time as any legislative proposal is presented, anybody who has an interest, a concern, or questions, will be able to have all of that thoroughly aired in the context of legislation offering a specific proposal; is that correct?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, that is correct. There, I believe, will probably be about four meetings of the task force. You know, that has yet to be determined, but there will also be an opportunity for some hearings, that there may be input from the