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SENATOR LANGEMEIER: I don't know if that is a requirement, but I know that is the way they're offered.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah. I mean, it seems to me that the courses obviously will be offered only in English, or I assume that's the case. And if that's the case, then it would seem to me that the ability to pass the test should, in and of itself, be proof that you understand the English language well enough to...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...to function. And we can have a further conversation about that off the floor. But does that make any sense to you?

SENATOR LANGEMEIER: I understand, yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, Senator Beutler touched on an issue that I had hung up on for a good while. But none of my amendments really could be called substantive, and I don't think that one would be. But this reference to the English language affects me in a way that may be similar to what Senator Beutler is sensing, and maybe not. When I see this specific reference to English, I think it is a slam at non-English-speaking people, especially those who speak Spanish. I don't think that was Senator Langemeier's intent, so I want to clear that up. I don't see the need to have things in the statute which could be taken as a slam against a group which everybody knows is highly unpopular in the state of Nebraska, a group which suffers the ravages of racism, discrimination, and jingoism. I'm talking about those people from South, Central, Latin America, whatever term is used to designate that part of the world from which people come whose original language is Spanish. What I had done, several years ago, was to remove from the statutes the term "Christian name." I pointed out to my