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

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: Senator Raikes, you and I have had a conversation about this amendment and I don't want to imply otherwise. And as we discussed, I said, you know, it's something that we need to chew over. I do remember Senator Redfield's bill and so I don't necessarily believe that we haven't had some semblance of a hearing on this concept. But would you agree that we never, never discussed in the Executive Sessions doing what we're contemplating here this morning?

SENATOR RAIKES: I would, yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. So I guess what I'm asking you is if we...as I see this, we're breaking up the Omaha Public School District. Is that an accurate statement?

SENATOR RAIKES: Yes, it is.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. So there would be how many districts left over after...if this amendment were to be adopted? Or, excuse me, how many districts would the one metropolitan district be broken into?

SENATOR RAIKES: The one district would become three districts under this proposal, so there would be two additional ones in the learning community.

SENATOR BOURNE: So there would be total of three districts created, so two additional districts or three additional districts?

SENATOR RAIKES: Two additional, three in total.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. And I will be honest with you. I listened to Senator Chambers talk about how his community knows his kids best and he's probably right in that regard. But I