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1215-1217, 1328, 1369, 1379, 1379A, 1427, 1427A
1436, 1436A, 1448
LR 428-452

SENATOR CUDABACK: The amendment, AM3090, is adopted to LB 812.
I raise the call. Items for the record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, explanation of vote from Senator Bromm
(Re: LB 1448, LB 1214, LB 1214A, LB 1215, LB 1216, LB 1217,
LB 1328, LB 1369, LB 1379, LB 1379A, LB 1427, LB 1427A, LB 213,
LB 929, LB 1085, LB 1135, LB 1197, LB 1436, and LB 1436A).
Series of study resolutions, LR 428-450; Senator Price has
LR 451 which will be laid over; LR 452, study resolution by
Senator Quandahl. That's all that I have at this time.
(Legislative Journal pages 1350-1361.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Next item on the
agenda.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler, I now have AM3091.
(Legislative Journal page 1361.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, to open on your amendment,
AM3091.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature,
thank you, first of all, for the time you're taking on these
matters. But I do hope...I feel like I'm getting more of an
education as this goes on, and I hope everybody else is, too. I
think it is important enough to take time on it. This
particular amendment does just one thing in effect and that is
to restore one sentence effectively that we took out of the bill
on Friday with no discussion for all practical matters on the
subject. And yet it was a big important sentence. The sentence
that was taken out on Friday says: The assessment and reporting
system shall be aligned with the standards approved by the
board. In other words, whether we do one test or two tests,
whatever tests we're going to do, that test would be a test on
how well students are doing as compared to the state standards.
That sentence was taken out. This amendment would restore that
sentence. This amendment says a little bit more than that, but
essentially that's the purpose of the amendment. It says the
state board shall adopt standards for each grade level. They've
essentially already done that. The standards shall cover the
subject areas of reading, writing, mathematics, science, social
studies, and history. They've already done that. The standards