

become a full-fledged member of the Class III or II district that they...?

SENATOR LAMB: I don't believe so. This is an additional alternative. It does not affect the rest of the bill. You will notice that the amendment adds the word "affiliated" and in the original bill where it says "merged", this amendment makes it read "merged or affiliated" and affiliated is this high school affiliation. So the Class I will have the alternative of this affiliation which I have described here or the other alternative in the original version of LB 662 which forces merger by 1989.

SENATOR REMMERS: After having once accepted this concept, is that binding on that Class I district then down the road?

SENATOR LAMB: There is no provision...yes, that is correct.

SENATOR REMMERS: Okay, it would be binding?

SENATOR LAMB: Right.

SENATOR REMMERS: But there would probably be an opportunity for them to join the district then if they eventually want to.

SENATOR LAMB: I think so. I believe that they could.

SENATOR REMMERS: Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Scofield, please.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Mr. Speaker and members, I am going to support Senator Lamb on this amendment but I do have some reservations about it based primarily on I am a little gun-shy as a result of the nonresident students out there in my district in particular, and I have shared my concerns with Senator Lamb. I guess I am going to support the amendment anyway. But I would like to also comment on one remark that Senator Landis has made which bothers me somewhat and that is the statement about the continuing issue of our people trying to duck tax responsibilities or not. And I can tell you from listening to both sides very carefully and trying very hard to understand both sides of the issue, that neither side really understands the other side's issue, neither side really understands the central