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aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted on ceasing debate?  
Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 3 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate is ceased. Senator Newell, do you wish to close?

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, I want to remind this Legislature that we mandate, that it is state policy through our rules and regulations requiring nursing home administrators to have a license, that we mandate hours of continuing education, and because we mandate that, we should reimburse them at least for their travel. We are not reimbursing them for the time that they take. They have to do that by law but we should reimburse them at least for their travel. Now if this Legislature is concerned, and I think that getting 26 votes for this amendment shows that they are concerned, that we want not to pay to reimburse for association dues, I think that is fine. That is a different issue but we do mandate the educational requirements and for that reason we should reimburse in that regard. So what I have done with this amendment and all I have done with this amendment is to say that the dues will be prohibited but we will continue to reimburse for educational hours. If there needs to be greater clarification on what kinds of courses, you can specify that later on with another amendment that says only those directly related. I have no problem with that either but I believe that if we are going to mandate these courses then we ought to reimburse at least for the travel.

SENATOR CLARK: The question before the House is the adoption of the Newell amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting no.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 12 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Newell's amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion is adopted. There is nothing further on the bill. The question is the advancement of the bill. All those in favor of advancing the bill...Senator Cullan.