

So what I'm asking is what steps the director is going to take to do the authenticating? Not just say to me...I mean, what I'm not looking for is the mere assertion from you that the director will satisfy him or herself that this citation is authentic. I want to know what steps and procedures they're going to go through.

SENATOR LAMB: Well, as is the current case, each record...or as states in the bill, each record or report of a conviction received by the director from another state shall clearly identify the person convicted, describe the violation, specifying the section of the statute code or ordinance violated, identify the court in which the action was taken, indicate whether a plea of guilty was entered or the conviction was the result of a forfeiture of bail, bond or other security, include any special findings made in connection with the conviction. And all it would be...the only difference is that the seal is not required under this bill where it is...the Supreme Court currently says that that is the case.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr...I meant, but, Senator Lamb, doesn't this bill say that that citation, in effect, will be self-authenticating, that the citation itself is sufficient? Because that's what the language of the bill says, not that the director will do anything, but that if these things are listed on a citation which are the standard things because they are standard forms, these citations are, then that in itself will be self-authenticating. So when the citation is received then it's presumed to be valid and this law is going to make it valid. Is that correct?

SENATOR LAMB: Well, yes, each record or, as it states, each record or report of conviction shall be admissible as evidence in the court, any court of law in this state, when bearing the seal of the department. So it does place the responsibility of the department in order to put the seal on there and make it admissible in the court.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But what I'm trying to get to, Senator Lamb, if you will look at page 3 in the new language, line 19, are the two words "self-authenticating" for any action taken by the director. The director doesn't have any...does the director have any discretion as to whether to accept one of these citations?