

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. President and members, the amendment I filed strikes the last sentence of the new language on page 3, lines 20 through 22 of the bill. That language reads that "Each record or report of conviction shall be admissible as evidence in any court of law in this state when bearing the seal of the department." I think what this provision does, it doesn't limit it to this section. What this sentence does is to I believe mandates admissibility of the report or record of conviction simply when it bears the seal of the department, rather than mandating or allowing admissibility of the report of conviction when bearing the seal of the court. I don't believe that this sentence is limited to the language to what is attempted to be limited and that is the denial of points. I think this sentence can and probably will be read to extend to other areas, potentially other criminal areas, civil actions dealing with auto accidents, or what have you. I think it is very broad language. I guess I would ask...could I ask a question of Senator Lamb.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, are you available to answer a question?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Senator, is this sentence, this last sentence of the paragraph necessary to the bill?

SENATOR LAMB: Well, my initial reaction is that it is. I fail to see how, you know, if it is not specifically spelled out that this record or report shall be admissible, what constitutes admissibility, is my problem.

SENATOR LINDSAY: The purpose is...your purpose in this, just for this paragraph, for this section, dealing with points?

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, that is all we are...our purpose is merely points on the licenses. We are not...the purpose is not to get into other areas certainly.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Okay, I guess I, and I can read this that it is, like self-authenticating, it can...gets over the burden of authentication of the document in the previous sentence. I guess my argument would be that the sentence is unnecessary and that it goes a little bit farther than we need to go to accomplish the purpose that is desired. I would urge the body