

to adopt the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Is there discussion on the Lindsay amendment? Senator Lamb, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR LAMB: Well, I rise to oppose the amendment. We haven't had a lot of time to discuss it here but it seems to me that it may very well take the heart out of the bill, that if we do not have specific instruction there, that each record or report of conviction shall be admissible as evidence in the court of law in this state when bearing the seal of the department, in my humble opinion, this may very well gut the bill, and I don't think we want to do that. If Senator Lindsay has reason to believe that it does not, we certainly would look at that. But at this point, it certainly looks as if it would be in violation of what we are trying to do here, that if there is not specific language in here which says it is admissible, the question hangs as to whether or not it is admissible, and that is the purpose of the bill. And I guess I think Senator Lindsay is reading a broader interpretation in here, certainly, than we are contemplating, and in all probability beyond, I think his fears are probably unfounded. So I think we should go ahead with the bill in its present form. If, I would say this, if, we will reflect on this further, I would hope that this would be...this amendment would be defeated at this point, and if between now...I will have conversations with Senator Lindsay and other people and we will discuss it, and if there is a legitimate problem here because we certainly do not want to get into a broad interpretation, I will be amenable to bringing it back from Final Reading and correcting it. However, I don't think that is going to be necessary. I think it is in good shape.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I have a question for Senator Lamb. Senator Lamb, what types of offenses would be covered by this provision that you have?

SENATOR LAMB: It is our purpose to have traffic offenses, those, you know, which are ordinarily associated with assessment of points.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It could be leaving the scene of an accident, couldn't it, because points are assessed for that?