

amendment also provides limited judicial supervision of the treatment selection process by the Department of Public Institutions. It allows offenders who have not been selected for treatment by the department to ask the sentencing judge to review the department's determination that the offender should not receive this treatment. During this review, the offender must pay for his or her own attorney's fees. Once the sentencing judge reviews the department's determination...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CHIZEK: ..there is no further appeal. Before we vote on the committee amendments, I'll bring you an amendment suggested by Judge Wolf of Kearney and the Department of Public Institutions. Right now, I would ask that you adopt the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chizek. Mr. Clerk, are there amendments to the amendments?

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Chizek would move to amend the committee amendment. Senator, I have AM2343 we printed yesterday, found on page 160 of the Journal.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Okay.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Chizek.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Madam President, colleagues, as I said, Judge Wolf, who has been working and deeply involved in this legislation, and Senator Kristensen will add as we go on, has suggested this amendment. The amendment essentially is a white copy of the original 523 and the committee amendments. My amendment to the committee amendment was again brought by Judge Wolf and the Department of Institutions. Since Judge Wolf had retired from the bench, he's put a massive amount into this effort. The result of his effort, along with Senator Kristensen, committee staff and the Department of Public Institutions, and the Attorney General's task force on this issue culminated in the drafting of LB 523. The judge suggested a technical amendment to the committee amendment which provides a procedure for the department to notify Public Institutions...I'm sorry, to notify the sentencing judge that the offender is in a treatment program and inquire whether the sentencing judge believes the offender may be eligible for