

SENATOR HALL: Well,...

SENATOR ROBINSON: I just want to get a little information.

SENATOR HALL: Yeah, no, what...what...they would have to meet the criteria and then take the examination. You add an individual that represent...to the Board of Examiners that would now represent this group. So what we do...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay, would they just go over the material, the background of the person and then decide whether they would...would grant them...

SENATOR HALL: No, as long as they...

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...this status?

SENATOR HALL: No, as long as the individual met the necessary educational requirements and passed the examination, there would...there would...the Board of Examiners would merely approve that. The reason you add one of these individuals who would now be a licensed medical nutrition therapist is so that they have representation on the Board of Examination. So they would have one of their own members. As you know, the board if made up of doctors and dentists, podiatrists, RNs and others. This would be another class since now we're going to license them. They would now have representation on that Board of Examination for purposes of making sure...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay.

SENATOR HALL: ...that their individual...

SENATOR ROBINSON: Okay. When the bill was discussed in committee, who supported the bill?

SENATOR HALL: Everyone that testified, testified in support. There was one neutral testifier.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Were there any...

SENATOR HALL: There was no opposition.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Was there anyone from the medical profession that spoke in favor of it?