

that, yeah, there 's an area that needed to be tightened. One was not agreed to, one was agreed to. The second one we're going to work on because there's an area of difficulty. So none of the amendments have been in a harassing nature, none of them have been trivial in nature, but trying to make the bill, and I know that even though I vote no, the Legislature's going to pass this legislation so I want it to be in the best form as possible. Why I want to improve Senator Hilgert's priority bill is beyond me, but if we're going to do it, let's do it right, I guess. This amendment would go to Section 7. And I got to find my own section here. Section 7, line 4, so if you're on the committee amendment, it's on the back page, line 4, it puts a period after the word "check" and strikes the rest of the sentence down through "qualified" in line 7. The stricken...the matter that would be stricken would be the following, well, let me read the whole thing to you. What would remain is, "An applicant subject to sections 1 to 7 of this act shall be issued a conditional certificate or permit prior to receipt by the Commissioner of Education of the criminal history record information check", I would add a period there. What would be stricken is, "if the applicant signs a statement that identifies all crimes of which the applicant has been convicted and the Commission of Education determines the applicant to be of suitable character and otherwise qualified." So what would be left is that they will be subject to the criminal background check, and then you'd go to the next sentence, "An applicant's conditional certificate permit is void upon", and you go to the rest of the sentence. I don't see where there's any place or any reason to have a Commissioner of Education decide on a suitable character or otherwise qualified. I have no idea what that means. And I don't think anybody in here could define what that means. There's no reason for it. So this amendment would strike that portion so that the decision made by the Commissioner of Education is based upon the criminal background check, not just on some philosophical idea of what they determine to be suitable character or otherwise qualified, if...since that is so vague of what otherwise qualified means, that that is way, way out of the bounds for denial of a certificate. So consequently, this amendment strikes that portion which is vague and it again keeps intact what Senator Hilgert in his priority bill is trying to do, and that is have a fingerprint check, and then if it comes back you have, and it was a hit, then you have the appeals...it'll be denied unless there's an appeals process, and then that whole scenario still