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SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. And I think I want to comment, for a minute, before I get to the amendment, on Senator Chambers' comments on...on...on how you prove up or how you establish prior convictions in other states and his concerns about that. I think we need to do some research on that. My initial reaction to him was that certified copies of judgments or convictions are generally what's been established and used for enhancement in other criminal cases, and in DUI's, as a matter of fact. But we'll try to help do some research to see if there's some further direction. In defense of the way the bill was drafted, before Senator Chambers redrafted it, that was part of the language that was in the bill, was attempting to deal with that, talking about judicial notice of the court and that kind of thing. So, we'll get back to that before Final Reading. I would simply ask the body to approve this amendment. I think we've had good discussion and hopefully the bill can advance. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bromm, are you done with your closing?

SENATOR BROMM: No, no, I...I just took a break. (Laughter)
No, I...I'm done, I'm done. (Laughter)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Okay. The question is the adoption of AM2740 to LB 1004. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is agreed to. Debate on the advancement of LB 1004? Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, very quickly, Senator Chambers, so we can save...so I can save some time later, just so I understand what issue may be out there and do a little looking at it, the concern you have is for how do we determine the validity of a foreign conviction that was obtained in another state, the validity of using that as an enhancable charge in this state? So, one, how do you compare what may be an apple in one state with our orange, and