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to grandfather in you need 6,000, don't you feel that the board would say that evidence of completion of training and education is, at a minimum, 6,000 hours?

SENATOR STUHR: I was...I was thinking that they would not; that they would set up standards that as long as they had the experience, had worked under a licensed body art practitioner, that I don't think anywhere else would it even mention the 6,000 hours, I feel very confident about that, as long as they pass the written exam or the...

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Time has expired.

SENATOR STUHR: ...practical exam.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Chair recognizes Senator Stuhr, to be followed by Senator Bourne and Senator Chambers. Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. There seems to be some confusion, and I appreciate Senator Bourne's concern. What we were trying to do was just set up some grandfather opportunity for those places of business that were reputable, had experience, and had been operating for some length of time, and if they could prove that they had this business for...or had completed 6,000 hours of experience, then they would be granted, and that was before...that is before January 1, 2005. We know in this business that there are a lot of what we call sort of fly-by-night. They might start up a practice and then...for temporarily, for two or three months. But we wanted to set some guideline. Now, whether this 6,000 hours, you know, we're certainly willing to look at that if there's a feeling that that is too long of a time, but those would only apply to those businesses that are operating now. Anyone else...and then they would have the choice. If they...if they were not in business for the last...or for 6,000 hours, they could take the exam, which would be a practical exam and also probably some knowledge. They must demonstrate safety, sanitation, and sterilization techniques by means of a practical examination, and also then some training under the direct supervision of a person in the state designated by the board.