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move to amend this component of the committee amendment, and that amendment is being input into the system now. (FA1516, Legislative Journal page 824.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President...Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, although I'm still on page 1, rather than write every proposed change that I have on one piece of paper--I'm doing it in longhand, I'm writing it as legibly as I can--I'm taking it in manageable pieces. And because the amendments are quite straightforward, they not only will offer improvement to the bill, but will give an opportunity for discussion of weightier and different aspects of the bill. So if you are looking on page 1, and even if you're not, I will read what the amendment would do, for the sake of the record. On page 1, in line 8, since this is existing language, I would strike and show as stricken the words "of this state." That would leave the notion that what is being done is in the public interest. That's sufficient. We know that the public interest refers to the public interest of the people in this state, so I'm getting rid of superfluous language. Then, still in line 8, and going to line 9, I would strike the two words "financially assist," and replace them with three words, "provide financial assistance." Then, this is just one of those places where I think one word serves better than another. Continuing on page 9, I would strike the word "necessary" and insert "essential." If you were going to say "necessary," the word following probably should be "for" rather than "to," it is necessary "for" such a purpose rather than necessary "to" it. If I were going to give a sentence, I would say, it is necessary "for" Senator Mines to place his can of pop carefully on his desk, rather than say, it is necessary "to" Senator Mines to do this. I understand what's being said and what is being intended. But if we put the word essential, we would say, to provide financial assistance to programs and projects essential to the development, preservation, and so forth. Once again, I'm taking only a small part of this, so that it will be clear that I'm not making a host of changes at one time which may include or embody something like a land mine or trickery. If you agree