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FA1533 to LB 75.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members, this is to address the issue that was raised by Senator Bourne and by Senator Chambers about the difference between the one year and the 30 days. And so it just inserts that someone who has received a...who has not received a...passed a background investigation shall apply within 30 days. So the one year is the time within which they must have passed it. Those who have not done it within the one year, or done it at all, must apply within the 30 days, so that there will be time to get it in time to go on the ballot. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown. Opening on FA1533. Ready for address the debate. Senator Burling.

SENATOR BURLING: Thank you, Mr. President. I have a question for Senator Brown, if she would.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brown, would you respond?

SENATOR BROWN: Yes.

SENATOR BURLING: Thank you for bringing this forward. But now I'm confused. Your amendment says if they haven't passed a background investigation they must apply. Well, if they haven't passed they're not qualified, right? If they didn't pass it they failed it. They had the check and didn't pass it. Then they don't qualify.

SENATOR BROWN: No, no. It doesn't mean that they haven't had...it means that they haven't had it at all, not that they did not pass it.

SENATOR BURLING: So your intent is that they...

SENATOR BROWN: This is referring back to the first line of that section.

SENATOR BURLING: So your intent is, if they haven't had it, they need to apply.