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license and then never see anyone again. So the reason for all of those professional development has been on that basis that it ought to be updated. Now there is a hodgepodge of alternatives. Some professions want to have statutorily required, hodgepodes I was going to say. Some professions want statutory requirements for continuing education. Others are dead opposed to statutorily requiring it but they insist in their associations that they still have it and there is a real mix but we have always taken the position, at least in recommending that ought to be a part of any licensing...(interruption.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well then am I to assume that the Performance Review Committee will be coming up with similar kinds of continuing education requirements for the medical doctors and the attorneys and am I to assume that they also will be coming up with an amendment to the bill, I believe up for the professional engineers, yet this session that comes up? I don't believe it has any requirement for continuing education or professional development.

SENATOR WARNER: I think all those bills did. Weren't...by the way this is the last year of sunset so we will not be coming up with any more but for the doctors for example, when that was up like three years ago, we did recommend statutorily requiring professional development or annual education and they successfully persuaded the majority of the Legislature that they...(interruption.)

SENATOR HANNIBAL: My time is about up, Senator Warner, so I will say that I think I have made my point and I'll let you go ahead and close. I won't fight it but I do think you understand my point. Thank you, sir.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Warner, did you wish to close? The question is the advancement of LB 477. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays on the motion to advance the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: LB 477 is advanced. LB 477A.