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915, Mr. President. (See pages 1797-1799 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, the next amendment I have to 994 is by Senator Vickers. This is Request #2540, Senator.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, Request #2540 is on page 1759 of yesterday's Journal. It is also number two in the handout that was provided to you and we have made some changes to that amendment up at the Clerk's desk because of the fact the stipend language was taken out of the bill. And the changes do this. It says that the new certification level requirements which are part of 994 yet, would be applicable to any new teachers coming into the profession and would clarify that the requirements for the renewal of a professional certificate and provide that teachers holding valid out of state certificates would not have to pass a basic skills or subject matter test to acquire a Nebraska certificate. Only those new certificate holders would be required to move into the level or the certification ladder if you will that is in the bill. And this makes the requirements for certification consistent, the latter part of it between in state and out of state applicants, meaning that it is only the new people that are asked to go into it. I would ask for the adoption of this amendment as well.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell, do you want to speak on this amendment? Senator DeCamp, do you have your light on for this amendment for recognition?

SENATOR DECAMP: Just for clarification, this is not the amendment in the Journal anymore. This is a new amendment, is that correct? You have taken all the things that refer to Section 15 out?

SENATOR VICKERS: It has been changed as I indicated to make it clear that those people that corresponds with the fact that the stipend language is no longer there. That is correct.