

diagnostic eye drops, optometry where you would be able to use therapeutic eye drops and an optometry where you would be able to use both diagnostic and therapeutic. But the intent of the bill and the concept and how it would be implemented ultimately by the Health Department would not have had four categories. In fact, the concept that the bill was trying to achieve would have had basic optometry, the use of basic optometry and diagnostic eye drops and then the addition of therapeutic drops, those that were already certified for diagnostic drops, so instead of four, you'd have three categories. This amendment essentially clarifies that that would be the case, that you would have to be certified in the use of diagnostic eye drops in order to be certified for use of therapeutic eye drops. I think that is the basic change and would help, I think, clarify the situation.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: (Response inaudible.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morehead, any comments? Any other discussion? If not, the question is the adoption of the Wesely-Morehead amendment. Those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President and members, I want to advance this bill but I know that Senator Remmers had a couple of questions to ask, so at this time I will allow him that opportunity so I can respond, since he has some concerns, if he would like some of my time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Remmers.

SENATOR REMMERS: Mr. President, thank you. I would like to ask Senator Morehead a couple of questions to clarify for the record what is included in LB 116 to make sure we haven't changed what previous Legislatures have enacted, and if Senator Morehead would respond.