

Health and called for certification of athletic trainers. So this is a certification bill, not a licensure bill, of athletic trainers. And, again, it does conform the act to the uniform licensure law.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any further discussion on the committee amendments? Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Goll would move to amend. (Goll amendment appears on page 946 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Goll.

SENATOR GOLL: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, since the Health and Human Services Committee reported LB 355 out of the committee, my office has been made aware of certain small adjustments that need to be made to this bill. These amendments are in accordance with the recommendations of the Health Department under LB 407 which we passed last year, and I believe the thought of the Health and Human Services Committee which advanced the bill. I know of no opposition to these proposals and they have been shared with Senator Wesely's office. Very briefly, they do four things. They change the dates of the licensure as requested by the Bureau of Licensing Boards. Number two, they correct, sharpen, and coordinate the definition of athletic training by adopting a definition of athletic injuries, those injuries which are incurred by individuals through participation in sports or recreation. Athletic training then is the treatment of athletic injuries. Number three, they provide for cooperation between the athletic trainer and a physician in cases where physical modalities, such as heat or ultrasound are used, and this was one of the suggestions of the Health Department. Number four and finally, they lower the maximum fee from 800 to 300 dollars. This change would make the amount more like other licensed health care professionals and I would urge at this late hour that you support the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is the adoption of the Goll amendment to the committee amendments and all those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Goll's amendment to the committee amendments.