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districts, do I go through one background check through the state to get my license or do I go to each school district and go through this process?

SENATOR DIERKS: You go through one check with the state. You don't get a license from it, you get a certificate of verification, I guess they call it.

SENATOR HORGAN: And to hold a Nebraska teachers certificate to teach, this background check would be...would take place then?

SENATOR DIERKS: That's correct.

SENATOR HORGAN: And then I could go throughout the state and make application wherever? Is that right?

SENATOR DIERKS: That's right. That information would be held in the Department of Education.

SENATOR HORGAN: Okay. Then another question I have is dealing with the certificated employees and the noncertificated employees, did I hear you correctly, Senator, that a teacher coming into a community we need to have this background check on them because we don't perhaps know who they are but the bus driver we don't...he or she is probably local and we have better information about them? Is that the logic behind the differential?

SENATOR DIERKS: That's the...I guess that was just the reason I gave I think that what happens is that the bill calls for it to be mandatory for certified personnel, but that is handled by the Department of Education and the reason that it is not mandatory for noncertified personnel is that the school district has the option to do that and if they think that they need the background check, it is available for them; if they don't think they need it, then they don't have to do it.

SENATOR HORGAN: And these noncertificated employees such as school bus drivers, are they employees of the district or are they employees of the company that is contracted with?

SENATOR DIERKS: Yes.

SENATOR HORGAN: They are employees of whoever they contract