

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes. it's also a concern of the NRA, and that's why they have become very financially supportive of this type program.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I appreciate that, and I think that's good to know, and I think we should applaud their actions. And I would support then the bill as it's been amended. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you, Madam President. Just very briefly, and then we can go ahead. I've discussed this matter with Senator Moore, and I think he agrees with me that we can, if it's appropriate, to adopt the amendment, and we can do an A bill. But I, as again, what I would represent to the body is that we've had a lot of discussions about this, at least I have with Senator Schellpeper, not so many directly with the NRA, but it's my understanding now from talking to him that they are...they do intend to help here. With that representation, I certainly would agree to and have agreed to dropping Section 3. The A bill will be less than \$5,000, and that's based on discussions I've had with the Department of Health. So, with that, I would just, if there are no other lights on, Madam President, would just urge that we adopt, maybe there are, but just again urge that we adopt the amendment and then we'll do the A bill Senator Moore suggested.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Ashford. Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Madam President and members. I, once again, want to support the Ashford amendment. And along with the understanding that, in visiting with the NRA, they do intend to become very involved in this type of amendment, they have in other states, and they are willing to because they know that we need to have education out there, and they are willing to put their money in resources and information out, and that's what they will do with this type of an amendment. I don't see any need for any large A bill. I don't think we'll have to have probably any A bill at this time, but if Senator Moore thinks we do, for maybe some postage. But the NRA is committed and they will work with this...with Senator Ashford on this amendment. I think it's a good amendment now since we took out Section 3 and I am supportive of the amendment at this time. Thank you.