

Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Robak. Senator Hillman.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Mr. Speaker, members, Senator Wesely, I do thank you for bringing this bill and being concerned about volunteers, and I will say over and over when it comes to volunteers that they probably are the most important group that works in our country and impact government and government spending more than anything else. But I am going to oppose your amendment today. I have, in the past, been a director for three different volunteer groups such as Camp Fire, United Way and the chamber and your code that you're following under here, 501C, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, or 19 covers a length and breadth of a lot of organizations. Being a director of a chamber of commerce, I will tell you at that time, looking at covering volunteers and the board of directors, it cost anywhere from three to four thousand dollars a year to do that with D&O insurance, and other volunteer organizations feel the need to do that. On the other hand, my concern is that volunteers are usually very enthusiastic people, and very committed to what they are doing. And they sometimes will go perhaps just a little bit further than they should, or not realize what the business and legal obligations are of their organization, and are much more interested in delivering the service than they are perhaps the business part of the organization. I would be more than glad to work with you or to see what we could do to get this bill passed in the next session because I think it's needed and I think we need to be able to assist the volunteer sector as much as possible, but we also must make that volunteer sector as responsible as possible for their actions. So saying that, I am going to oppose your amendment. I do hope something like this comes up in the future and at this point will oppose it and will vote for Senator Kristensen's bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Hillman. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'm not sure that my question really pertains to this particular amendment, but I'm not sure that there will be an opportunity to otherwise discuss the bill once this amendment passes, so I would like Senator Kristensen to answer a couple of questions, if I may, to be sure I understand the main bill correctly to begin with. And, Senator, as we know from the language of the bill with regard to actions brought by the Federal Deposit