

this bill is required at all by federal law. But there are implications that some members of the Legislature and others would rather not have to deal with if the Governor were not designated as the one to negotiate. So all this sentence will do that we're adding is to say that the negotiations will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the federal law, which would be the case anyway. It doesn't matter really whether the two sides, or three, or how ever many they are, cuss at each other, spit at each other, throw rocks at each other, call each other names, it is the agreement that will carry legal significance. The agreement. And if the agreement itself is out of harmony with the federal government law then it's not going to be considered valid. We're dealing with legislative findings, something like a legislative resolution. We have not created conduct that we say is prohibited, and if you engage in that conduct you suffer a punishment. We are not saying the Governor must do this, and if he or she does not, that is malfeasance in office and subjects him or her to removal by way of impeachment. We haven't done anything like that in this bill. I have offered the sentence to you. And as a Legislature always is free to do, accept it...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...or not.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. We'll now vote on the motion to return to Select File. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 5 nays, Madam President, on the motion to return the bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Motion is adopted. We are at Select File. Senator Chambers for opening on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, I move that the amendment be adopted.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Moore. Does anyone wish to speak to the amendment? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Chambers? Closing is waived. We'll now vote on the Chambers amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record,