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supermajority to a simple majority. I think it's always hard to stand in a representative body and argue against a simple majority. So I think we'll let that go. I am...I have filed an amendment to bring back the...without the...the phrase about the prior approval of the chairman of the Executive Board. And that is to allow some legislative connection and oversight to this consultative supervisory process by the committee. With that, I would...and so basically I'm standing in support of the amendment. Any adjustments we want to make we can make with further amendment. And I would return to Senator Brown the time remaining. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Mr. President. I would echo some of the things that Senator Brashear said. I think that it is important to have a workable situation. I would probably feel much more comfortable if it were one year and one bad check rather than two bad checks in one year. I also think that from a management of cost standpoint, I would feel better if we were having a little bit more control over some of the consulting costs that could result from this amendment. But in the same way that Senator Brashear said that we need to find those things that we can agree on and move forward, I would say that I will support the Kristensen amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Brashear, your light is on next. Senator Brashear waives off. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Only trying to look after the chair of Exec Board, or whoever that might be the next go-round. The reason that this amendment is worded like it is with respect to the Exec Board chair, striking the language on signing off, is that the chair of the Exec Board, on behalf of the Legislative Council, has to sign all contracts anyway. And whether there needs to be prior approval was the issue of question before the contract is signed. So for whatever value that is, that's my contribution to the discussion.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Kristensen, your light is the only light on. You can use this