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SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President. I would yield my time to Senator Beutler, if he would like it.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Preister, thank you for the time. Well, it will be interesting to see how all of this develops. And again, if you are going to say...if the federal government is going to say to us, you must have a uniform law, then it seems to me perfectly clear that we in here will not be able to change our law without getting the okay of the National Insurance Commissioners, because otherwise of course our law will not be uniform and we will jeopardize the entire system. So, thinking ahead, and I assume we're going to do this, even though it involves giving into the federal government in yet another way in the sense that it used to be they threatened us with losing money if we didn't do something, now they threaten us with losing whole areas of power if we don't do something. But, in any event, how in the future will we change this law? Well, somebody will come in here with an amendment and you won't be able to put, if it's a significant amendment, you won't be able to put it into law, because that would have the effect of creating nonuniformity. So what are you going to do? Well, maybe the chair of the committee writes a letter to the National Insurance Commissioner and says, hey, I, personally, think, you know, we ought to change the law here. And maybe that's the way you get something going. But when they turn around and say to our Banking Chairman, well, is this what your legislative body thinks? Well, our Banking Chair is going to say, well, I don't really know because we can't really vote on any amendments, because if we pass an amendment that makes it nonuniform then we're in trouble, and I haven't counted any votes, so I don't really know if we want to do this or not, but I think it's a good idea. Is that how our law is going to get changed? Maybe we need to create a new process in the Legislature whereby, by resolution, we recommend changes to the National Insurance Commissioners. How else are we going to ascertain the will of the body with regard to changes that we may want to effectuate on behalf of our people? If there is a different process that I'm missing here, I would certainly like to hear what it is.