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file for office at (sic--as) both at-large candidate and a candidate by ward at the same election. Simply does is allows the cities of first class some flexibility to have both council elected by districts and at large. And it have to be...go to the people to vote, so the cities would have to approve it before it would go into effect. Be glad to answer any questions.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Hartnett, to open on the committee amendments.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, when we did the staggered term, we didn't do it right. So what the first part of the amendment simply strikes the language that we did and adds additional language to provide that staggered initial terms at the first election in which an at-large council member will be elected, a single at-large member would be elected for a four-year term, if only one is added. One new at-large will be elected for a two-year term, initial term, and one for a four-year term, if two new members are being added; and one new at-large will be elected for a two-year initial term, and two for a four-year term if they are...if three new at-large members are being added. Following the initial term of at-large members, the successor is elected for four-year terms. It's simply, the first part is simply clarifying what we did with the original bill. And we added a new section which amends Section 32-538 to change the manner in which city council members in cities...with a city manager plan of government are elected and the circumstances where there's a change in the number of council members or the manner in which they are elected. The amendment would permit city councils whose terms of office expire after the election to continue in office until the expiration of the term for which they were elected...until their successors are elected and qualify. Currently, all council members are elected at the next regular city election after a change in the number of city council or the manner of election in which they take place those council members in office whose terms have not yet expired. If the council members are elected at-large, the bare majority of the council members receiving the highest number of votes serve four years, and the others for two. Council members in cities with a city manager