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see where it wouldn't make sense to increase the number of wards but reduce the total number of elected representatives. But it seems to me that at that point is where we should make a change not necessarily in the way we're doing here. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bromm, please. Senator Bromm, on the advancement of LB 970.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Schuyler is in my district. Schuyler is going to be impacted by this bill and I certainly support the bill. I believe it is appropriate to give those cities the choice of how they want to organize the wards, and so I'm going to support the bill. While I'm up and speaking, I want to clarify Senator Coordsen's answer to a question he had and that question basically was when did the law change that he thought was in place that said you've got to have insurance if you operate the vehicle even if you just crossed the street with the vehicle. And the answer is the law has not changed and that is the law and it is contained a little bit later in LB 178 in old language in Section 5 of the bill. So it is required and that is the answer and Senator Coordsen's memory was very accurate. So, with that, I'll yield the rest of my time to the Chair. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Chambers, please. Oh, time. The 15 minutes is up. The question is the advancement of LB 970 to E & R Initial. All of those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:      33 ayes,   0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 970.

SENATOR COORDSEN: LB 970 is advanced.      Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 977 was a bill introduced by Senator Aguilar. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 10 of this year; referred to the Government, Military, and Veterans Affairs Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments on the bill at this time, Mr. President.