

SPEAKER BARRETT: No. Thank you. I think then in that case I believe the Chair would rule that the Peterson amendment to 569 is putting another bill into it, is a different purpose, different question, and would declare it to be not germane. Senator Peterson.

SENATOR PETERSON: I guess we will...Senator Schellpeper and I agreed to challenge the Chair. I think that this...all part of the emergency medical services deal with a community, whether it is EMTs or first responders or Good Samaritan Act statute. So I would think that just dealing with liability, that is what we are doing. We are not putting in certification or anything. We are just putting in that liability part for first responders. So I would challenge the Chair and take a vote on it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. With reference to challenging the Chair, discussion? Senator Chizek, your light is on. Thank you. Senator Wesely. Senator Wesely, would you care to discuss the overriding of the Chair, the challenge. Senator Schellpeper, please.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Mr. Speaker and members, I would speak in favor of overriding the Chair. This is an amendment that has been worked out with the Health Department and with the first responders and I think it is very needed, and I really don't think it does anything that would damage the other bill, and I think that it is something that is very germane to the subject, and it needs to be dealt with, and I would just urge that the bill override the Chair at this time. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, would you care to speak to the challenge?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, I will. Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, it doesn't matter where this amendment came from, who agreed to it, or whatever. You will notice that the way it is drafted, this amendment, it does not amend any portion of the bill. It adds a brand new section. The way the bill was drafted and the intent of those who offered it is to deal with the subjects related to licensure and certification. That is like saying you must meet one, two, three, through ten requirements in order to qualify as this type of individual, and that is what the bill does. What this amendment does, which is bigger and broader in scope than the bill, itself, is to say