

SENATOR HALL: But if they had made that determination they felt they should be limited to daytime driving then they could very well, with this amendment, limit those individuals to daytime driving.

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you. Mr. President and members, I would rise to oppose Senator Wesely's amendment. I see no problem with the amendment that was just adopted that was offered by Senator Crosby and was endorsed by Senator Robak in this bill. I don't think that there is a problem with these individuals meeting the criteria that is laid out in the bill especially with the Crosby amendment that requires the annual testing and review. I have not...I happen to know a couple of people who use bioptic lenses and drive and in most cases, clearly, probably not all, as many of us here have problems with seeing from time to time for various reasons, they do a good job of maintaining their license, maintaining the rules of the road and know that they have a problem in this area. I mean, the bioptic lenses give them the opportunity to be mobile. They are people who without this, I think we would again be discriminating against these individuals and, as you know, many other states, even though there are a couple as Senator Wesely rightly pointed out, who do limit to daytime driving, the vast majority of states do not have that limitation. I would urge you not to adopt Senator Wesely's amendment because then what you have done is basically placed the ability for this decision, you've taken it away from the driving examiner and you've given it to whoever the Director of the Department of Vehicles may very well be, not saying that they would have a predetermination on how this might be handled, but clearly you have circumvented the whole intent of Senator Robak's bill because you've now then placed it, the issue of whether they drive during the day, only in the hands of one person who could very well not be trained in this area at all. I would urge you to reject Senator Wesely's amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Robak, discussion?

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I also oppose Senator Wesely's amendment. I would like to leave it as written right now. 742 does allow the discretion of the examiner to deny or grant a driver's license and this blanket