

in relation to that job, and Senator Chambers goes on in saying "in connection with performing his or her duty". So I don't know, Senator Chambers, I don't know whether you are badgering the bill or whether you are sincere. So I just wanted to get that into the record.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Coordsen on the Chambers amendment, followed by Senators Morrissey and Chambers.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and members of the body, I did have a legal mind looking into this over the lunch hour, and from what we can determine "affects the employment relationship" is to make sure that we are in compliance with federal law which directs that disqualifications and that sort of thing, well, actually disqualifications, must be job related. So if we want to make the law books a little thicker and engage in what appears to be redundancy, and if it would speed the process up, why don't we just adopt the Chambers amendment, and if I have any time left, I would give that to Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Kristensen, please.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Senator Coordsen, for letting me have just a moment of your time. I believe that Senator Chambers' amendment does not substantially put in a new category or a new standard that would raise to a level that would violate the federal mandates in the federal law. I don't think it would increase the standard of which the burden of proof would also have to be proven in a hearing to terminate the benefits. I think it probably does relate back up to a phrase earlier in the amendment that talks about in connection with an individual's work. Since this isn't dealing with the actual denial of benefits directly, I think Senator Chambers' amendment is probably reasonable and one that we could live with, and I think he has pointed out it would clarify for his purposes and I don't think it changes the burden of proof, and since it doesn't do that, I don't have an objection to it and I would also join in voting for his amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morrissey, please.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. If I could ask the Clerk to read that amendment.