

correct?

SENATOR NELSON: It would bring it back to the original bill.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Is that correct?

SENATOR NELSON: All right, upon the death...

SENATOR HABERMAN: I think it is, Senator Nelson, so...

SENATOR NELSON: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...what you're saying is a patrolman can be married for three years, 364 days, and die and his spouse doesn't get the full benefits.

SENATOR NELSON: If she has children and so on, or his children...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Below 18, she doesn't get the full benefits, that's what you're saying.

SENATOR NELSON: Yes, she would not get the full 75 percent benefit.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, could you...

SENATOR NELSON: She would get 50 percent.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Could you explain to me, and still leave me a minute or two of my time, the rationale of being married three years, 364 days and then dying and that costing my spouse money. I mean I don't understand why you want to do that.

SENATOR NELSON: Senator Chambers...Senator Haberman (laughter), I have no problem with the 50 percent. It is increased in this bill to 75 percent, the 50 percent is fine. As the old bill originally is, that's no problem, as another benefit, other pension plans. As you know, the provisions of this bill, it does raise it to 75 percent. I have a problem with that. If it is retained in there...

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, Senator Nelson, I have a problem...

SENATOR NELSON: All right.