

purpose, and that is what that original drug package of the Governor was for. I think Senator Pirsch had a different idea in mind when she offered 976 than what 976 is becoming, thanks to the Governor's amendment that is being offered, but because I am becoming kinder and gentler, I am supporting, I am strongly supporting the first part of this amendment that Senator Pirsch is offering.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Bernard-Stevens, please, followed by Senator Wesely.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, and maybe when Senator Pirsch has some time or I have some time left, she can clarify if I don't quite understand parts of this. And, Senator Pirsch, I guess maybe I will start out by asking you a couple of questions.

PRESIDENT: Senator Pirsch, would you respond, please?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yeah, the amendment that we have, 2843 is actually a bill that you introduced, that went before the Judiciary Committee, that you have now redrafted to put into 976, is that correct?

SENATOR PIRSCH: It is similar to fit in.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Right. That bill did not make it out of the Judiciary Committee. I guess I would be curious as to why the committee did not feel it to be a reasonable bill to advance?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Actually, I did not even raise it to move because I knew that there would be only one priority bill, and we would not have time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, so the committee actually did not in Executive Session so get together and talk about that.

SENATOR PIRSCH: That is right.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, that answered one part. The other thing, I have just is a concern and, again, I will make it kind of a comment and a question, and let you respond to it, Senator Pirsch, if you can, please, or if you would, please. The way I understand the first part of the amendment as it would