

the facility caused by the builder...the contractor, but the statute of repose had run, there was no liability after 10 years, so the state had to foot the bill for the entire pharmacy college. I think there should be some liability that flows back to this facility, and that's why the amendment has been offered.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Senator Pirsch, do you wish to address the motion to overrule?

SENATOR PIRSCH: No.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Okay. Senator Morrissey.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair, members. I don't want to take a lot of time on this. Again, I think it's very clearly germane, Senator Abboud discussed why. And it's very important for those of you that are concerned about costs to the state. Let's say we're building a facility, let's say we're building a cage for a very dangerous beast, and you're going to put it in a community, you've got a very dangerous beast, and you hire somebody to build a cage for that beast. The way our laws are now, after 10 years that cage breaks down, tough luck, tough luck, statute of repose kicks in. So if you want to talk liability, which we are in this bill because that's why we're getting rid of this take title to, it's very germane, because you're looking at liability issues in both. And, as Senator Abboud said, it's the same sections. I think it's very germane, it's liability or lack of for the operator of this facility. I think it's something we all need to take a close, hard look at. I applaud Senator Kristensen for bringing the bill originally this year, and I think it's germane. I think it's very important. I know we have a lot of important issues to address today. And I will not drag this out. But, again, just think of it as a caged beast, you've got a dangerous beast and you want to put it in your neighborhood, in your neighborhood where your kids play, and the person that you hire to build that beast is not responsible after 10 years for that cage protecting your friends, your neighbors and your children. Is this an important issue or not? I don't know. I think it's a money issue. I think it's something that all of our folks should be concerned about, and I think it's one of the many questions that need to continue being asked on this subject. I'd urge you to support Senator Abboud's overrule and then support the amendment. Thank you.