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SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Chambers, you're next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, Senator Hillman's answers did not satisfy my concern. On page 7, the provision dealing with the person who is under 19 years of age having that material on his or her driver's license. We're talking about a policy of the state now and we are saying, if I understand Senator Hillman correctly, if this bill were passed with the committee amendment that it's unnecessary to have a spot that would say a person does not want to make an organ donation because this bill only wants to deal with those who do. Then why put in superfluous language allowing somebody under 19 to put that on the driver's license when the parent is the one who is going to make the ultimate decision whether it's there or not? If it's superfluous to put into the law a provision allowing a person to say he or she does not want to make an organ donation, it is superfluous to put into the law a statement that youngsters can put it on their driver's license when what they put is not the final determinant. This kind of issue is not one that ought to be discussed and decided between a young person applying for a driver's license and the people who are taking that application. It should be between the young people and the parents and such being the case there is no necessity to put that kind of information on the driver's license of somebody very young. I'd like to ask Senator Hillman a question in view of what I have said since this amendment we're discussing is her desire.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Hillman, would you respond, please.

SENATOR HILLMAN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hillman, would you be opposed to reinstating this language in lines 12 through 14 relative to those who are under 19?

SENATOR HILLMAN: I wouldn't be opposed, Senator Chambers, to talking to you about it so I'd have a better understanding of what it is we need to do and I'd be glad to do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why should we talk about it if I don't know what your feeling is. Do you feel it's necessary to keep in the law, I mean, you want to put it in there, you want to keep in your amendment the authorization for somebody as young as 16 to