

opening that door at this point, then I think it subjugates the system that we have. We have consent calendar, and that would be, for the most part, places where these bills would normally come up. We also have senator priority bills to help bring bills up to the top. And my concern is if we start going to this process of bringing this many bills on Select File in the amended form that we are creating some dangerous policy here and precedent. I understand the system is going to be abused enough anyway, everyone trying to find a home for their particular bills. I, certainly, from time to time will be trying to find amendments to put on other bills,...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...but this number of bills in this manner, at this time, on Select File, with little notice, I think the body would be good in this point simply to vote the amendments down so we set the policy that's probably not an acceptable procedure that we need to work from, and I thank the Chair and the members for their time.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Pirsch, a couple of questions, if I may. I am interested in those portions of the bill that constitute subsection 6 and 7 on pages 2 and 3. Subsection 6 says with regard to any zoning decision that is made, that it will not be void or invalidated or affected in any way by any irregularity, defect, error, or failure on the part of the city to give the notice, the set of notices that you are requiring. And then subsection 7 goes on to say that the city shall not be liable nor shall any employee be liable for any damage resulting from somebody not getting the notice. Two questions, I guess, the first question is, is that current law or are we changing current law? I mean I don't know enough about this issue, obviously. Is notice required to be given now within 300 feet, is that a...

SENATOR PIRSCH: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: No.

SENATOR PIRSCH: There is no law now, and that was the city's wording as a compromise.