

amendments.

CLERK: Yes, sir. Mr. President, Senator Wesely, AM3876.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Wesely. The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Kristensen, 3872.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I ask that 3872 be withdrawn, too, please.

SENATOR WARNER: The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senators Landis, Kristensen, Wesely, Lynch would move to amend with 4166, Mr. President. (The amendment appears on page 2051 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Warner, members of the Legislature, there are three provisions in this amendment. We will be running it. The first thing that you will want to know about is the controversy that was raised on General File which is the capping of insurance responsibilities or assessments. After some diligent discussion and, frankly, with some magnanimity on the part of the insurance companies we've agreed to the notion of a sunsetted cap. The cap will be sunsetted until 1995 to give us a period of time to continue to work on CHIP and to get some revenue system worked out. I believe this provision meets both the interests of the policyholders who have claimed that they would support a sunsetted cap and it meets the immediate needs of insurance companies with a cap being effective in the coming years. Secondly, this takes care of a condition brought to us by Senator Kristensen in which we waive the six-month waiting period. This is the preexisting condition exclusions six-month waiting period for those people who are terminated by reason of the insurance company doing business withdrawing from the state or the bankruptcy or insolvency of the employer leaving them without insurance or a cessation by the employer of providing any group health plan. In those three situations, if those kinds of people were dumped into the marketplace, couldn't find insurance, they could come to CHIP without the six-month waiting period. The last thing directs the CHIP board to work with the Department of Insurance and the Department of Veterans Affairs to insure that CHIP is used as a resource for veterans and their needs. It also amends the