

same amount of money, why would they be pushing this? It's simply the case. I think I'm going to run out of time but I do want to just touch on what Senator Beutler mentioned and give you a little bit of testimony from the hearing. He mentioned a police officer. There was...there is a big...there is something to that. Testimony in the committee said that the officer involved in...Roselyn Cappiello, who is a quadriplegic who appeared before the committee, the officer in that case; during deposition, broke down in tears. He's a good man. A good officer. He at least had the...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR LINDSAY: ...peace of mind to know...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: I surrender my time to Senator Lindsay.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Senator Robak. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The police officer at least had the peace of mind knowing that once the damage caused by his pursuit has occurred that the city or the county or whoever was not going to be running away from the problem, that that innocent, absolutely innocent third party will have something to take care of her for the rest of her life. And it's actually not even going to be enough because of the cap that's already in place. Her damages were well above the million dollar cap, but she's got to live with what was given to her. And let me...let me touch on one other aspect. We keep talking about saving the city money, or whatever. Now if you have someone who is made a quadriplegic through the actions of the police, do we really think that the city or that that person, with millions of dollars of damage, who cannot care for herself or himself, is not at some point going to become a...on the state welfare rolls or on the state assistance rolls or on the state Medicaid rolls? Somebody is going to pay for it and sooner or later it's going to be the state. What it does is it's going to shift this burden from the parties that...the city which could insure for it, it's chosen not to, but could insure for these types of things, and it's going to shift it over and down the line the state is going to take it over. Government is going to end up paying for it at some point. And it's a matter of whether we want to...we've