

only connection at all certainly is the mention of automobile liability policies and that I don't believe is a close enough connection to make this particular motion germane to LB 37. I still support the Chair. I will be voting no on the motion to overrule the Chair. And I, as Senator Kristensen indicated, would certainly be open to looking at this issue in the regular format that we use for major changes. There are time to time sometimes emergency issues of lesser import come up at the last minute and are done by an amendment mechanism but not something that changes some fundamentally rate-making...fundamental rate-making authorities within the insurance entities and it ought to be given and afforded the full committee hearing and full floor debate that an issue this serious deserves. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Senator Lindsay, followed by Senators Maurstad, Chambers, Will and Landis on the motion to overrule. Don't see Senator Lindsay. Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I merely rise to support the ruling of the Chair and will vote no on the amendment to overrule the Chair and would just echo and support the comments made by Senator Kristensen and Senator Coordsen. This issue certainly is one that is not related to LB 37 and needs to be looked at, debated and discussed on its own merits as Senator Preister asked that it be done in his opening. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Senator Chambers. You've already used eight seconds.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I'm in favor of overruling the Chair. First of all, a basic inequity has been pointed out by Senator Preister. The problem exists and it exists with state complicity because the law mandates that a person have insurance. Then when evidence is presented which shows that the providing of insurance is done on a discriminatory basis, the state has an obligation to eradicate that situation. If the state were not mandating this type of insurance, that would be one thing. But what it is saying, especially to black people because those are the ones on whom it will impact the most, although, as Senator Preister pointed out, it will impact on others, they're saying everyone of you must purchase this insurance, but in the same way that you're