

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Witek a question, if I may. And this relates to something she said that I wasn't aware of. Senator Witek, why did you say we're only going to be on this bill an hour?

PRESIDENT KOBAK: Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Well, I assume that when we get to the eight hours that they'll have their votes for cloture.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, thank you. Okay. I don't make the same assumption. But if that's what they want to do then that's what they can do. But I thought maybe there...this thing would end before there was an opportunity to clean up some of this language. There are aspects to this bill which, even if the broad...the broadly drafted amendment I've offered is not adopted, need to be dealt with. And those who said they'll deal with them may be in the process of delivering, but I'm not sure. So I'm going to work on those areas, too. And one of them happens to fall within this Section 22, and it's that language about the Governor attempting or considering and attempting to balance representation. The inappropriateness of the language existing in that provision, about one member having to have expertise in all seven of these listed areas, so if they are so intent on just running this bill through that those things that need to be corrected will not be, that will prove the political nature and political underpinnings of this entire effort. But I am prepared to continue discussing this bill until it gets in the form that it ought to be, or until it is killed. And the same with all...or not all, but a lot of other bills that are going to be before us. If the Legislature has so little concern about the constituency served by this commission, then I cannot have concern about nurse practitioners, I cannot have concern about...who else is on here? A reporting system for entities involved in farm and ranch operations. Why should I care about that reporting? Each...in the same way that there is disregard being shown for the rights of the people who are served by the EEOC, I don't see any reason for me to show concern about any of these other individuals and groups. I see where some are going to try to change the length of the legislative session to 65 days each year. Well, we'll talk about that for 65 days, or they're going to have to pull it off the agenda. We're going to