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everybody else would do. You know, the task force and the whole concept behind the task force getting together and sharing ideas, I mean, it seems like to me that's been done before and can continue to be done in the future without setting up the structure in this particular, in this particular bill. I think that this bill would not provide more community involvement and, in fact, is once again trying to wrestle away some of the responsibility of communities and place it within some state task force. I don't think that's going to end up being positive in the long run as people need to recognize they have responsibilities at the local level. And if this is a priority to them at the local level, they need to...they need to pursue it. You know I...I certainly see this bill, and this section specifically, as laying the groundwork to interfere with cities' abilities to self-determine their own standards for development and construction and planning and zoning and safety and quality of construction within the building codes that...and life safety codes that we provide for them. I just don't think we ought to be interfering with that. I don't think that the task force can accomplish, in a six-month period of time, what needs to be accomplished, if anything meaningful will surface as a result of their efforts. And as a result I would ask the members to support eliminating Section 10 from the committee amendment and support the amendment to the amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS PRESIDING

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: You've heard the closing. The question is, shall the Maurstad amendment to the committee amendments on LB 1322 be adopted? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 5 ayes, 23 nays on the amendment to the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: The Maurstad amendment is not adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Withem and Wesely would move to amend with AM3420. (See page 981 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Withem, I'll recognize you, if you want to share that with Senator Wesely, certainly do so.