

then it's (a), (b), (c), (d), (e). Is this different than what is in the law right now, that can be accomplished right now?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Pirsch, they have mentioned some specific areas and I'll let Senator Maurstad answer that specific question because I'm trying to find...

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...what you're referring to.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Senator Maurstad, I don't want to take the time, but are any of those new provisions that are not available now to political subdivisions?

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: (Microphone not activated)..Senator. What new provisions?

SENATOR PIRSCH: In Section 2.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Yes, they are.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay, which ones?

SENATOR MAURSTAD: This clarifies specifically what is now unclear and continues to be litigated and is one of the reasons why the costs for defending these suits continues to rise.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Because there are a lot of unanswered questions from the existing law.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay. And in section (sic--subsection) (3) it says, "This section shall not relieve any public or private source required statutorily or contractually to pay benefits for disability...No such source of payment shall have any right of subrogation or contribution against the political subdivision " Is that the same as presently?

SENATOR MAURSTAD: No, that is not.