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LB 1101

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment to LB 1101. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is agreed to. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend: page 3, line 23, strike the words "but not limited to."

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, you are recognized to open.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this language is found in another part of the bill but it deals with another subject, so I want to be sure that you don't think I'm slipping you a fast one on this. So I'm going to tell you what this is dealing with. On page 3, starting in line 22, we have Section 5 of the bill. This is what it says. The Nebraska Senior Companion Volunteer Program shall provide companion services to populations including, they put the "not limited to." I want to strike "not limited to." Now let me read for you the populations that are included. Old...one, subsection (1) older individuals who were formerly active and are now bedfast, too frail, or too ill to be transported to special programs; subsection (2) physically impaired older individuals who cannot leave their homes due to the extent of their disabilities; subsection (3) physically or mentally impaired older individuals who have become so depressed that they have withdrawn from all social interaction and are confined as a result of psychological problems; and subsection (4) physically impaired older individuals who are anxious to be enrolled in day care programs but have to stay on waiting lists until there is an opening. Now all of those groups are to be served. What other groups are there not included in those? If they are not included among those groups, I don't think they ought to be addressed by this bill. That's why I'm eliminating those unnecessary words "but not limited to." I'd like to ask Senator Aguilar a question about one of these groups.