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want them to do for political reasons. And I am going to pick up on that topic, and my time is running out, but I'd like to pick up on that topic when I come back. Because examiners should be one of the most protected positions in our whole government because they're examining the big banks. They're examining the big insurance companies, and you certainly don't want a situation in the future, and I would never, ever suggest that honest Sam Baird is anything to worry about. I have the highest respect for the man.

SENATOR ENGEL: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: But it's not this man, it's the future men that we don't know that we ought to be thinking about.

SENATOR ENGEL: (Gavel) Please hold down your conversations so everyone can hear. Thank you. The Chair recognizes Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, I rise in opposition to the amendment and in strong support of the bill. I am a member of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee, and I did support this. I want to go back to the reason that we have bank examiners and insurance examiners. The reason we have this whole structure is for the protection of the public. It's extremely important that we guarantee solvency for our financial institutions, so that when people place their money there, they know it is safe. It is extremely important that we guarantee the solvency of our insurance institutions in this state, so that when people pay their premiums in good faith, that when that claim comes into being because of a national disaster or an accident, that good faith is there to pay on that claim. We need the solvency issues guaranteed, and that's why we have examiners. The public purpose is important here. That's why they exist. The bill was brought before us because, in fact, we are finding it very, very difficult in this state to find people to fill the vacancies. We need these examiners. We don't need them later. We need them now. Why do we need them now? Not because of a negotiated agreement, or not because of window of time, but because we need to make sure that we have enough people out there in the field