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that there were a couple of clarifications that would be helpful to make if the bill were returned, and so we're proposing to do those. It revises the language a little bit on the 13-week period that they felt we could clarify. The new language would say any 13 weeks in a calendar year, so that that would be clear to measure when the workers' compensation insurance would be required. Also, there was some question that might make it difficult for the court to tell employers exactly when they should obtain coverage, and that's solved by adding the language in the amendment that says that the act applies 30 days after the thirteenth week. So if they hit that threshold, they'd have 30 days to provide the insurance. Then the notice that's required when the employer has met the ten or more employee threshold and then when they subsequently fall below that threshold and want to drop their coverage, since it's no longer required, subsection (6) talks about employers who were and remain exempt from having to get coverage, but at some point choose to get coverage on a voluntary basis, which does happen, and then perhaps they want to drop coverage, that was confusing I think in the Final Reading copy in terms of consistency. So this language would make the procedure uniform when any employer wants to drop their workers' compensation coverage. Whether they had provided that coverage on a voluntary basis or whether it was required under the act, the procedure for wanting to drop it would be the same. I would say that for the most part this is very much a clarification amendment, with the exception that we are definitely saying that employers of domestic servants, is language in the statute, are not going to be required to provide the notice that agricultural employers would need to provide. So with that, I would simply ask the body to return the bill for purposes of adoption of this amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. You've heard the motion by Senator Bromm to return LB 210 to Select File for specific amendment. Open on that motion. Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the body, I rise to support the return for these specific amendments. Senator Bromm, Senator Connealy, Senator Beutler and others have worked hard to get this bill into shape. There's not that type of a drastic change in this bill. It