

have the low group administration cost that employers and employees enjoy through the group concept. I think six months gives the surviving spouse enough time to get that person's affairs in order to make whatever provisions that need to be made, regardless of whether it is...whatever adjustment that surviving spouse has to make in her new status in life. So I would urge the adoption of the amendment which puts it down to six months which gives ample time and is consistent with what we did last year.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers, do you wish to speak to the Dworak amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, and, Mr. Chairman, if possible, I would like to speak to Senator Dworak. Senator Dworak, what kind of coverage would be provided under this bill for the surviving spouse?

SENATOR DWORAK: It is the same coverage that was provided for the deceased spouse. No difference in benefits, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I meant, what kind of conditions would be covered? Is it a sickness and accident policy?

SENATOR DWORAK: Oh, yes, or it could conceivably have some type of life insurance but that would be insignificant. I think the major benefit is the accident and sickness benefits, the health benefits.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, just so we kind of narrow in on what primarily is motivating our discussion. Do you think that a person can have a physical condition which would be influenced by the state of a person's mind? Do you think state of mind can influence physical conditions?

SENATOR DWORAK: I can't answer that question. There is some...I just read an editorial where the stress of the President always seems to result in sickness or any world leader stress results in sickness. Whether that is absolutely provable or not, I can't answer that and I don't think medical society has. I can't answer that question, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you read or heard from any sources that you would consider credible that the desire or the will to get well or survive can play a large part in how well a person recovers who is seriously ill?