

details which would place too great a restriction on the Patrol's and other law enforcement agencies' operations. So pursuant to the concerns that the various individuals had, the bill was totally rewritten into the form that you see now in the amendments and I have this sheet, it is being copied, I don't know if you have it on your desk yet, but it mentions what each individual who appeared was concerned about and the reaction that I had toward his concerns. Now Chief Hansen appeared for the bill but he had concerns, and in talking about the original bill, he was concerned about the terms "negligence" and "reckless". We dealt with those terms. We have not modified or expanded them so that the definition that "negligence" and "reckless" have always had in the statutes and laws of Nebraska remain the same in this bill as they always have been. The word "park" on page, section 3, it had to do with a stationary position of the car, and I forget what the concern was but it was such a minor thing that that was stricken. All of sections 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10, subsection 1, 15, 16 and 17 of the original bill were very specific in their recommendations as to modes of response and various other activities which should be matters of discretion. All of those sections were stricken from the bill. The reason I allowed them to be drafted, I wanted law enforcement people to see what the International Association of Chiefs of Police were recommending in terms of the regulation of high speed chases. Their regulation was much more stringent than what I was seeking. As a result, pursuant to the requests of law enforcement agents, all of the material I mentioned there was stricken. Those were the concerns Chief Hansen had and they were taken care of. Section 13, allow an officer to seek change in his mode of response, that was done and that is a technical, you can say, word of art that deals with the operation of the police division so that was left to them. Now there is a word here that says "oppose", and under it, it deals with identifying the vehicle which will control the chase. The specific control that was in the original bill has been stricken pursuant to the recommendation of Chief Hansen. Then detailing the modes of response, these were in sections 15, 16 and 17, all of that was stricken. Then Mr. McGuire, who represented the Police Officers Association, he was for the bill, he said he had no objection to the concept of the bill. He generally agreed with Chief Hansen's concerns and he was satisfied that the legal meaning of "negligence" has not been changed by the bill. He felt that the deaths and the property damage which were documented do warrant a change in high speed chase procedures. So when we corrected all of the problems that Chief Hansen saw, that took care of Mr. McGuire with the Chief Police Officers Association and he offered no additional amendments. Major Whitney stated that the Patrol philosophy does, the Nebraska State Patrol philosophy, is in accord with the bill. He felt that in addition to some of the things that had been discussed by Chief Hansen, roadblocks were too dangerous. The Chiefs of Police International Association thought roadblocks should be utilized. All of that was stricken pursuant to the recommendations of the State Patrol. Then he had concerns about parts of section 8, 9 and subsection 10 (1) of the bill, all of that was stricken. Then the sirens were not effective in rural settings and they tended to disturb livestock. On that, anybody who wants to draft an amendment can do so but I thought it was a minor point, and perhaps those who