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PRESIDENT: The motion is the adoption of the Beutler amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 12 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment.

PRESIDENT: The amendment is adopted. Senator Beutler. Pardon me. Another motion is on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to indefinitely postpone the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers.

CLERK: Senator, excuse me for...that would lay it over, Senator, unless you agree to take it up at this time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I regret that all the members were not here when we were discussing Senator Beutler's earlier amendment. Some people voted for that proposition, not because that was to be the ultimate limitation on this bill, but to get the bill in a form that will pass. I pointed out that if there are six troop areas in the state and Senator Beutler's bill only allows four cars, those few cannot have any significant impact on traffic regulation or control. After the bill is passed, which is his hope, you will have accepted the policy of using unmarked cars by the State Patrol and you are bringing that law enforcement agency a step closer toward being a state police force which is not its original intent. Senator Beutler's aim will be to add the number...add more cars and do away with this limitation at a future date. Senator Hoagland in expressing an intent to support Senator Beutler's motion, said, how do you go about sunseting this limitation? Which means the intent is to wipe out the limitation on the number of cars and make it a general practice of the State Patrol. I handed some material to you the other day when I thought the bill would come up and included was a letter from the Broken Bow Chamber of