

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Elmer, I guess a question. I mentioned to you before that I can vaguely recall dealing with this issue sometime in the past and I couldn't remember what the discussion was, but I've been thinking about it now and it's kind of coming back to me. It seems to me at one time the argument was, when it was sunset and sunrise, why on Monday you should turn your lights off at 7:03. On Wednesday it would be 7:07. On Thursday it would be 7:10 or whatever the delay is in each day and you were technically in violation as of that minute that the sun was setting, at least based on when it is technically setting. And it seems to me that the half hour provision was added so that you had the half hour, in fact, to put your lights on or shut them off, as the case may be, rather than that specific time of whatever it was for the day, for a particular day that the sun set and would come up, and I guess I'm asking this would seem to me to be more restrictive than the current law because you are in compliance any time from the time the sun...if it's evening, the sun is set, till a half hour afterwards, whereas with this if you haven't got your lights on at 7:04, whatever the sun set a particular day, you're in violation.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Comment.

SENATOR ELMER: Comment that the half hour period, you'd, 7:01, 7:03, 7:05, you have the same problem with 7:31, 7:33, 7:35. I kind of think that is a moot point and I don't think any law officer is going to be too strict because, you know, across the state it's going to be at different times and you can visually see, unless it's cloudy, when the sun rises and sets. It doesn't state a specific time, leave it to the body's judgment. I think it's an esoteric argument. Thank you.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I'm willing to leave it to the body's judgment. It seems to me if we enact this bill, why, as of each day's sunset is when you are to do something with your lights. With the law the way it is you, seems to me, that you have a half hour grace period between sunset and when you need to put on your lights as opposed to a time specific. Now some of our good attorneys could probably tell me that I'm worried about something I shouldn't be concerned with, but it seems to me it would be very difficult for everybody to know what time the sun was setting each day or each morning the sun was coming