

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When you said this bill allows the State Patrol and other law enforcement agencies to do what they thought they could do, how does the change in this bill enable to do what they formerly could not do?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: There was a...the court ruling that came down from Lancaster County District Court and this is what the bill actually states, that they, according to their rule and they had to do it with the knowledge and cooperation in order to use it as a defense.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Who had to do what with the knowledge and cooperation of whom?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: The retail liquor establishments, they could not use the defense before that they didn't think they were set up. Well, now with the Lancaster County District Court, since they came down and said that they shall, it has to be spelled out into law, that's what we're attempting to do with this bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What are you spelling out, the fact that they can conduct a sting or what? What is it that...Who could not do what before this bill?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: We're spelling out that they can conduct an actual sting operation is what we're saying. Before, they didn't have the authority. The court said they didn't have the authority to actually use the sting operation.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right now, I don't have my glasses with me, but I was having somebody tell me what was in the bill and they showed me where the only change was from words that said, the sale was made, and substituted words, the seller was acting.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Umm, hmm, that's right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That doesn't empower anybody to conduct a sting as far as far as I can determine.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: According to the courts, it does, Senator. That's what they told us we had to do. This is based upon an Attorney General's Opinion. Now that's where we're coming from.