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**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Day. Discussion? Senator Chambers.

**SENATOR CHAMBERS:** Mr. President, members of the Legislature, now we're discussing the bill itself and I can state categorically my opposition to the bill. I was against the administrative revocation of licenses, even when it involved adults or those over 21. I certainly am opposed to it in this context. We need to look at what this bill is doing. And I think in view of what my young colleague, Senator Hohenstein, said earlier this morning, I do believe this bill represents a shot in the war against the youth of this society. There is always the attempt, it seems, to criminalize the conduct of young people so that they can be punished. Punishment, deprivation are the tools utilized. If, as Senator Hohenstein indicated, there are groups out there that are trying to mislead our young people, I could not disagree with that. If he would identify the liquor industry as one of those, I would not disagree with that. But we want to doubly victimize the young people. If we feel that the consumption of alcohol is not a good thing for young people to engage in, we acknowledge by that that we consider them to be victims. We then, as a Legislature, come along to victimize them further. You're going to take conduct which is not considered criminal and criminalize it. That's not the only victimization, that's the second one. If, under this bill, one of these young people winds up refusing to take this alcohol test, or taking it and showing .02 concentration in their blood, then their drivers license is revoked for 30 days. We have to come to understand that young people are not going to be deterred by this kind of reaction by adults. They expect it. Adults don't speak their language, adults don't understand them, adults simply do not care. And the proof of it is that adults have created all of these activities, and they engage in all of these activities that the young people, disproportionately, are to be punished for. There could be a cop whom a young person has seen drunk in a tavern, walking by and looking in, because somebody under 21 probably shouldn't be in there anyway. Should be at home watching television. At any rate, this cop could come out and find this young person not legally drunk but in control of a vehicle on the street, and could have that young person put in a set of circumstances where he or she would lose a drivers license. All right, you've got them in the position of having lost their