

SENATOR CROSBY: Time. Further discussion on the Avery amendment. Senator Hohenstein.

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: Madam President, members, let me just respond briefly. I think Senator Beutler raises some excellent points, frankly, because the history behind this amendment, it kind of goes back a few, maybe a month or so. This was an amendment that was drafted to respond to an attempt to compromise an issue relative to LB 83 which was Senator Ashford's bill regarding guns and we tried to take a little broader approach to that. However, I think the points that Senator Beutler makes with respect to how this meshes with Nebraska statute are well taken and I guess I think it might be appropriate to look at that issue maybe today yet or tomorrow, but I think that it may not mesh completely with that. I think the intent of this is to make it clear that the situations that Senator Ashford describes are clearly violations. I think they ought to be, but I don't know for sure whether it does that exactly and I am a little concerned after the point Senator Beutler raises whether this amendment in conjunction with the existing law really meshes like it ought to and I want to make sure that what we do is correct, so I would offer to Senator Beutler and Senator Ashford to take a look at this issue. We may be back on this particular bill tomorrow, but I do think it is appropriate to look at this issue in conjunction with the existing statute to make sure that what we're trying to do either is not already done, I'm not convinced that it is, but more importantly that what we do with this amendment meshes more closely with what we currently have in Nebraska statute and I don't know that it does that yet. So I'm going to yield the rest of my time to Senator Ashford and Beutler to respond to any of those suggestions. I think maybe we ought to look at that together with the concern Senator Beutler raises.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you...

SENATOR CROSBY: You have about three minutes.

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...Madam President. I have no objection to sitting down and working through the language with Senator Beutler. The...let me ask Senator Hohenstein a question because I think what...