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and it isn't seen a whole lot differently in a lot of those other positions, that the driving factor was that there are people in the patrol who want to support themselves and their families and they move from that division because it pays better with the same training that they have, to go to another division where they get better compensation and more...a better retirement system. And so from an...from an overall management perspective of the agency with the carrier enforcement division, how do we deal with the problem that we have today? If we don't pass this law, the problem continues. We'll deterior...have deterioration on the roads. We will have serious safety problems and we will have the continued management problems. That's what happens if we don't do anything. If there were a perfect way to solve this problem, I think I was on Transportation for a couple of years, I heard various iterations of this,...

SENATOR COORDSEN: Time.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...it would have happened, but I think this is the best solution and we should support it.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Thompson. Senator Jones, please. There is no need. Yours was the last light on. Senator Chambers, to close on your amendment, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, my amendment has been agreed to. I simply changed the word "were" to the word "are." Everything in the bill is in the past tense is in the present tense. That's all that I do with my amendment. So I need not linger on that particular item, just as none of us have seen the necessity of doing that. I am going to go back to this handout that we were given this morning, and it says on page 2, among other things, the Nebraska State Patrol is interested in maintaining efficient and effective commercial vehicle enforcement by stopping the flow of carrier enforcement officers out of the division, thus being able to fulfill their contractual obligations with the Department of Roads and provide for the safest highways for the motoring public. If it is the desire and intent of the Nebraska State Patrol to prevent the movement of carrier enforcement officers out of that division to