

to the committee amendment, which while raising the speed limit from the present 65 to 60 would nevertheless reduce what I am offering by 5 miles per hour. Another part of what I have up there is to divide the question so that we deal with this issue of the committee amendment trying to reduce my bill from 65 to 60 from the other committee amendment that would repeal the section of the law that limits the penalty for exceeding the limit by 10 miles or less. Let me tell you what would happen if you would adopt both of the committee amendments, and I am very frank about my concerns and I have always mentioned it with reference to the speed limit. You will, in effect, wind up with a net loss in the speed that people can travel without the possibility of severe consequences. Right now with the 55 mile an hour speed limit if you exceed that limit by 10 miles an hour or less, the only penalty is \$10, no points off your license, no court costs. With what the committee amendments do, you would repeal that section of the law and merely raise the limit from 55 to 60. In effect, the bill would not do anything. It would not improve the rate at which traffic can travel on the Interstate. It would impede it from what it already travels. Looking at this handout that Senator Hoagland prepared for a different reason, you will see where the State Patrol Superintendent said the Interstate is the safest means of travel, it has established itself as the safest means of travel, therefore, if this road, having been engineered to handle high volume traffic at a speed of 75 miles per hour, we are asking only that we allow traffic to move at 65. This would produce a 10 mile differential between the regular roads and the Interstate and would therefore be an inducement for people to use the Interstate which the State Patrol Superintendent and others through studies have established as being safer than other roads. So to put in a nutshell what I am doing with this part of my amendment is to amend the committee amendment to strike where they put 60 and reinstate 65 and I hope you will support it.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator DeCamp. We are talking on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR DeCAMP: The only reason I am even talking on this now is because a couple of my friends here are asking me since I was on the committee where we did this, just what position we have got the bill into, and it really is kind of complicated at this point, because if you adopt the committee amendments, I claim and I