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SENATOR MARESH: I don't think that there is any connection with handguns and license plates.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm just . . . because we are talking about crime and lethal devices.

SENATOR MARESH: Would you put one on the top, one on the bottom and one on the side and . . . .

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, no, I don't mean all that. Would you be in favor of licensing handguns? To help law enforcement so we would know where these potential death weapons are? Are you in favor of that?

SENATOR MARESH: I think we should regulate the sale of them. I don't know about licensing but I think we should make our laws strict about selling handguns.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But would you be in favor of requiring a license for a handgun?

SENATOR MARESH: Anyone that buys one has to register now, don't they?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not in all parts of the state.

SENATOR MARESH: They don't?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No.

SENATOR MARESH: Which parts don't?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I understand in some of the rural areas you don't have to have a handgun registered.

SENATOR MARESH: If you buy it, I think you do. I bought a rifle one time and they took the number and name and all.....

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I mean where you have to get a slip, take it down to the police division, they check everything out, and then after they okay it and sign the permit for you to own it, then you go back to the store and pick up the weapon. Is that they way they do it in the rural areas?

SENATOR MARESH: I never bought a handgun, I don't even own one so I can't tell you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You said you never owned one either. Thanks Senator Maresh. I would like to ask Senator Kahle a question