

bill. The problems that we've heard, or the intent, I guess, is good. There are some problems out there at Westroads, which is the primary thrust of it. But I think we're pretty much hunting squirrels with a howitzer here. We're going to shoot a lot more than what we're looking for. The key thing to remember here is that we're not talking about driving. Under DWI statutes we're talking about actual physical control. I think Senator Schmit's example is valid, that we are...that you can have tailgate parties that are busted for DWI. I think Senator Hall's example is valid, that if you're driving a golf cart on a...at a country club, you can get busted for DWI. I think that Senator Chambers' example, that if somebody leaves the house and is sitting out in the car, listening to the radio, you can get busted for DWI. I think the problem with the bill is that it diminishes the importance of the DWI statutes. Let's keep the...a good law, I guess, the DWI law, let's keep that in force. What we're trying to get at is the people who are going out and jeopardizing other people's lives. I don't think that we want to come down with DWI penalties on these other situations. It may correct the minor problem, but it will cause major problems in the process. I'd urge the body to defeat the committee amendments and also to defeat the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Beck.

SENATOR BECK: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I co-sponsored or assisted Senator Abboud in this bill. And I would urge the body to support the amendments and to support the bill at least onto the next phase or round of debate to see if amendments that would help or assist in alleviating what problems they see. I look at this bill not as a bill that would affect merchants, particularly. I look at a bill where people would be on private property driving some kind of vehicle, licensed or unlicensed, and would hurt or maim or injure an innocent party whose also on that private ground. And I think that we need to look at that. No one wants to infringe on other people's private rights, certainly I don't. I don't want mine infringed upon. But by the same time I don't think that we should be responsible and allow something, an inconsistency in the law, to affect lives of young people and/or children who are totally unsuspecting of the condition of that person on the private property. Often times we've seen people in residential areas driving without any care on their property, only to find out later that they were in a drunken state. In my neighborhood there are a lot of children and young people who cut across