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SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR MOORE: ...in trying to do something. The instant check is far from perfect. And if it's the body's wish to adopt this amendment, which I guess I will be voting for, you have to understand if there is a funding concern it must be addressed on Select File. And so I urge for adoption of the amendment, but also I want to caution Senator Ashford, the NRA probably deserves everything he's given them from his point of view. But at some point in time those people are just trying to offset a very vigorous lobby on the other side as well.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Go to Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I rise to support this amendment. And, Senator Ashford, I'm a little dumbfounded on why you're offering this amendment when you are voting against it. But, anyway, we got the amendment up before us now, and that is, as I follow it, that's the same as LB 801. And so I certainly support that. And I guess if I had to have it my way, I'd rather have no gun control laws in Nebraska. But as I understand it, if we don't pass a gun control bill, and the federal government does, then we must abide by the federal laws. Is that right, Senator Ashford? Okay, thank you. Senator Ashford says that's right. But what this amendment does, this is a statewide instant record check system. And I feel that's much better than the Iowa statute that we have adopted. Remember when we was talking about LB 355 as amended? That would put the burden on the local law enforcement people. And do you know how we support the local law officials? We do that with property taxes. So we're going to increase property taxes, and I'm against that. Okay. If we do not adopt this amendment, I feel we'll put the burden on the local officials. This amendment would put it through the State Patrol system. And I know somebody says, well, where are we going to get the money from, it's going to cost us over 100,000 bucks a year to do this. Senator Schellpeper has an amendment coming up a little later that will solve this problem. So I think we ought to go that way. But this amendment, LB 801, will be the least intrusive to handgun purchasers. Okay, we talked about the Iowa law, which is amended in LB 355. Like I told you the other day, not everybody likes the Iowa law in Iowa. I have some friends over there and they tell me that they think it's terrible. So