

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers, you have three minutes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Senator Schmitt, I was talking to Senator Wehrbein so I'm not sure what you said and, as far as responding to Senator Vrtiska, he was mainly giving his opinions based on his observations. So I can neither say yea or nay to that because he did make it clear that it's his own opinion. I just don't have the confidence that he does but this is the approach I was taking on this with Senator Wehrbein, that since he has confidence in the State Patrol's training methods, the State Patrol apparently is the agency that came to him and mentioned that they have a problem. Limit it to the State Patrol. I was pointing out that there are no state standards for training a dog and if I live in a little town and I might have a Rottweiler, I could take my dog to work with me. We don't say that the dog has to be trained. So if...and this is what I told Senator Wehrbein. If we limit it to the State Patrol and a problem arises then I can focus in on him and come down even harder because it will be everything that he wanted and we will have the bill addressing what apparently was the problem that brought it here, and that's the State Patrol. And maybe he will do a little checking to see how they train these dogs, how they handle them and how they use them. But, for my part, I just don't have that confidence.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Hall. Senator Hall yields his time to Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Hall. Madam President, Senator Hall had better stop doing that because every time the World-Herald decides to douse me they just drag Senator Hall in also, even when he is innocent. But my feeling is that they say, well, if he was there and had the opportunity he would have been just as guilty so we'll just throw him in anyway. But, Senator Wehrbein, if you've had a chance to...oh, go ahead. He's doing some checking. I...I really mean it when I say that if he would limit this bill and its operation and reach to the State Patrol. Call it a pilot project as we have done with other things where we're taking a new departure, even with the welfare bill, and I'm sure there are other approaches that we've taken, some of these bills that would give tax benefits to certain operations. The Enterprise Zone legislation will carve out certain areas and say this is where the law will be in effect. So while Senator Wehrbein is checking I'm going to say a little bit more about some of the problems in Omaha. I have