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the bill is with that second major provision that Senator Schmitt wanted, which is those...the firearm proficiency training for officers. What it removes is those provisions which allows those officers, or retired officers the opportunity to...well, actually, it should be the mandate that they be issued a concealed weapons permit. So with that, I'd be happy to try to answer any questions, would urge the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Lindsay. Senator Schmitt.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yes, Madam President, members. I just want to rise and support the committee amendments. I think with the committee amendments, it is made a good bill and ask the body to adopt it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Schmitt. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I had talked to Senator Schmitt about this bill, and I believe the committee amendments accomplish what he had told me was going to be done. I am a member of the Judiciary Committee, and when this bill was advanced, I did not vote on it in committee because I wasn't completely comfortable with it. So I would like to ask Senator Schmitt a question or two if I may.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Schmitt.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schmitt, the language that remains in the bill will do what?

SENATOR SCHMITT: The language that remains in the bill. Senator Chambers, will require all of the law enforcement personnel to qualify with their firearm once a year. Right now the large departments do, but the small ones don't, and I just feel the small departments should be required to also.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And, Senator Schmitt, would you look on page 5 of the green copy of the bill. Tell me when you have it.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Okay.

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