

mile speed limit. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Typically, we like to end one, get to a logical stopping point on one item before we move onto the next. However, there are six lights on and the agenda contemplates our moving toward the motions to place bills on General File pursuant to Rule 13, Section 17. We'll move to those motions at this time. If there is time left to debate 901 further before somebody moves to recess us for lunch, we'll come back to that. But at this point I'll be clearing the lights on this issue. Mr. Clerk, we'll move to the eleven o'clock special order items.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Stuhr would move to place LB 943 on General File pursuant to Rule 3, Section 17.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Stuhr, you are recognized to open on your motion.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I ask for your vote this morning to place the LB 943 on General File. LB 943 will restore to law enforcement agencies in Nebraska an important tool that they have been without for the last 18 years. Debating LB 943 will be an opportunity for members of the Legislature to rethink this policy. LB 943 began as a straight repeal of Nebraska Revised Statute 29-2262.01, which is the blue copy on your desk. It bars any evidence, I repeat, any evidence from being used by an undercover agent of a law enforcement agency if that undercover agent is on parole, probation, or is an inmate of a penal facility. Understand that under current law a person on parole, probation, or incarceration, who voluntarily, voluntarily approaches law enforcement offering to help out in an investigation will not be allowed to further that investigation because any evidence that is gained would be inadmissible in court. No other state in this Union or federal jurisdiction has such a law. No other state in this country feels they need this law. It was passed by Senator Chambers, to his credit, in 1978. The one statement that Senator Chambers made during the public hearing on this bill on February 1st of this year that I agree with was you said Nebraska is the only state with a provision like this, one of the reasons is because Nebraska is the only state with a senator like me. And I certainly agree with that statement. As we all know, there is only one Senator Chambers.