

other people to vote the way I vote but to, basically, you know, understand the reason the way I vote. Is all I have to do is let you know them reasons, but in this case a couple of things that I do know that in the raising of the speed limits, I didn't support going to a 75. I was one, Senator Chambers, that did support going up five miles an hour, except on the interstate west of Lincoln I would support 75, because I think the interstate is worn out and shot and too much traffic on it between here and Lincoln to take care of these speeds. Ee that as it may, last December, I spent one of my days traveling with the Nebraska state troopers in the Omaha area, and was awakened to something that I was not aware of before, and that day they asked me, what would you like to do on the day that you ride with is. Senator Pedersen, and I said I would like to have you set up one of them traffic enforcement things, we would call speed traps. They don't like that word, because traps are to catch mice with, but they call it some type of optional or traffic enforcement way. But it took Troop A that day, which includes...Troop A covers quite a bit of...all of Douglas County, part of Washington County, and a little bit of Dodge County. There was only four troopers on all day that day, and I had three of them tied up with me showing me how they do a speed trap. I felt guilty afterwards when I found out I am tying up three law officers. We don't have the officers, people, to enforce any more than what we already have and this absolute thing and when we talk about the fudge factor, if you are out there as an officer and you have an absolute at 75 miles an hour, and you will arrest anybody over that, but you've got ten people that go by you, and one of them is going 95, you are going to go after that one first. So there is still going to be a fudge factor. That's only human, as I see it. So I think we've got to be very careful in how we look at this if we're going to raise this up to that point, because we do know that speed kills, and there is...one of the statements was, you know, it is not the speed that is killing people out there, it's the poor drivers. Raising the speed limit is not going to get rid of the poor drivers, people. The poor drivers are still going to be there, and so you're going to have just as many accidents, only you are going to have more fatalities in an accident, and you all know that. I am not telling you anything there, but it's, basically, something that I just want to tell you some things that I think you need to look at too. Thank you.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Pedersen. Senator Abboud.