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SENATOR KRISTENSEN: es.

SENATOR ENGEL: Yeah, I am sorry. That, for the rural interstate, where you had 75, we lower it to 70. I am sorry.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Okay, 'cause that's where a lot of people I think may misunderstand. Currently, we have that zone now from North 48th Street in Lincoln up to Omaha, or up...it's called the, what, the urban section of the interstate that is at 55 right now. Now that's the section, of all the sections we are talking about, that's the one that has the greatest speed increase. And if people want to have that policy discussion about that that's a dangerous stretch or that's one we shouldn't jump up so high, I think that's a legitimate discussion. Just want to make people aware that what Senator Engel is doing is everywhere the committee amendment has 75, he has taken it to 70; he's not dealing with the Omaha interstate system. And with that, I will yield back my time, unless people have questions, but I wanted to make sure that point was clear.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Mr. President, members of the body, just so that Senator Chambers knows that I do listen to him once in awhile, that, Senator Engel, he says that you piddle and play. Now I don't know how you define piddling and playing, but I guess if you're probably guilty of that, I would guess Senator Chambers is probably guilty of that also. I just wanted a little rhetoric put in there, that I don't what it means, but, anyway, break up the afternoon a little. Senator Kristensen, I have a question for you.

SENATOR WILL: Senator Kristensen, will you yield?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR ROBINSON: How do we know there would be more enforcement? Are we going to put more troopers on the road or...?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: No, no, we are not, Senator Robinson, and as we've talked about that is not a scientific factor, but this bill does not have five more interstate patrolmen that's going to police the roads. We do put a statement in there that it's