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happens. But when you're a member of this group and it happens all the time, it's not something you throw away like that. You read the paper from last year and see where a black man in Virginia was set afire, gasoline poured on him. He was burned alive and his head was sawed off with a dull knife...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...by two white men, and people, who don't look like me, will say, well, that has nothing to do with what we're talking about. When you're my complexion, you may have more to worry about from the law, as it's called, than you do from the crooks. If you give a crook your money, the crook goes. If you ask your cop what you stopped me for, you may get shot.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Schmitt.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yes, Mr. Speaker and members, this may come as a surprise to some of you people on the floor here and maybe not to others, but Jesse and the sheriff are kind of on the same side of this issue, and I respect Senator Byars tremendously for what he is trying to do. I think everybody should wear their seat belt. I don't have a big problem with that, but I also understand where Senator Chambers is coming from on this, and I don't like to judge all people by what a few do, but I also understand what Ernie is saying is true, because when you're working out there as a police officer, it's kind of hard to tell whether the individual is wearing that seat belt or not. And the reason I say that, if you are wearing the seat belt and you have the strap buckled properly, most of the time you can see it. But there are people out there that have a tendency to pull the shoulder strap down underneath and put their arm over the top of it. If that happens, it would appear that they are not wearing their seat belt, and I believe under state law, they still would be legally belted in if the lap belt is fastened. Another thing I think you want to look at, this would give officers an excuse, if you get in your vehicle and drive a block, and you don't have that belt fastened, you could be ticketed. If you are out there working the farm, you're working the ranch, you're in your old pickup, you're fixing fence, or you're doing whatever, jumping out every hundred yards or so,