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LB 126

I'm running out of time every time I push my light, so I'm going to finish what I'm talking about here. I had...did have some questions answered here at least. If a minor's at a gathering and someone brings in alcohol, law enforcement comes in, the people that are not drinking will not get MIPs. I like that. And don't let friends drive drunk. If some teenager, some minor is driving somebody home and the police pick them up, that driver will not get an MIP. I have not had my question answered, if the 18-year-olds, as opposed to those 19 to 21, will their first...record...would this first offense be on the record permanently? I have a problem with that. I don't think we've really, really answered that. We do have zero tolerance right now at this point in time and any county attorney can suspend their driver's license for the first offense. And to get back to Senator Schellpeper's statement that more teenagers drink and drive in any...in Nebraska than any other state, I will go back to my...my college student from Florida that said, and he told me himself, he didn't even know what that meant, MIP, my...he never heard of MIP, which I told him with minor in position. And he lived in Florida and he said that until he moved to Nebraska and entered college here he never heard of such a thing, because in Florida the police would just break up the party, say time to go home. Sometimes they would take the alcohol or the beer away from them and they'd have to go home. Sometimes they would just say, break it up, time to go home. They'd take the beer over to the next parent's house and have the...finish their party there. So I can't believe that Nebraska is worse than any other state. I think that it's a problem all over. And, believe me, if this would stop underage drinking, I would be the first person to vote for this bill, but this will not have anything to do with underage drinking. It will not stop what we want it to stop...to do. It's just another feel-good, do-nothing bill that we haven't heard in years and I think LB 126 should be really indefinitely postponed. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. For discussion on the Chambers amendment to the committee amendment, Senator Dwite Pedersen.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Government (sic)...Governor and members of the Legislature, I'm