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regulated industry in this state and maybe in this country because of the nature of the product and the damage that it causes. Courts have said repeatedly that there can be regulations and restrictions against and upon the liquor industry that would not be tolerated on other industries. The product is different. Terry Carpenter, who made a good living selling liquor, didn't drink, and he explained it by saying liquor is to be sold, not to be drunk. I disagree with him on both counts. I meant it is not to be sold, but I disagree that it's for drinking. And do you know they have the nerve to put in the Nebraska statutes that somebody who's going to sell liquor has to be a person of good moral character? Now what in the world does good moral character have to do with selling liquor? Those are some of the bad things already in the law that need rectification. But if you look at the way this amendment in the committee amendments is structured, you'll see it is totally unworkable, totally impractical, and the State Patrol could not possibly do the job that's being asked under this amendment in the committee amendments to be done. It sounds alluring to give this responsibility to the Patrol. I don't think it should be done. My amendment would strike that. Then, if they want to try to do some work, should the bill survive General File, maybe it could be done, but this amendment that I'm offering certainly should be adopted. That's the end of my close, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Question before us is the Chambers amendment to the committee amendments to LB 126. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed nay. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Again, I will ask for a call of the house.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Have a call of the house. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed nay. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, to place the house under call.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The house is under call. Would senators please record your presence. Would unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. The house is under call. The house is under call. Would senators please record your presence. Senators Baker, Matzke, Don Pederson, Senator Jones, Senator