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been a 90-day period during which neither the affirmative defense nor operational licenses would have been available. The certification of the superintendent will provide the date certain so that adequate notice necessary for a criminal statute is provided as to the operative date of the elimination of the affirmative defense. That is a summary of the committee amendments in a more global sense. I'm certain we'll have an opportunity to further discuss the details thereof. I would say that, in short, the committee amendments are designed to tighten, improve, and make more appropriate the bill as presented to you and, with that, I would urge the adoption of the committee amendments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Chambers, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, to request a division of the question. And Senator Brashear and I had worked on this because I told him this was what I wanted to do. It would have been possible to create nine separate divisions, but what I wanted to do was to get it in large chunks, as large as possible, so we have four. And before we announce it, I would like Senator Brashear, if he would, I'd like Senator Brashear, if he would, to accompany me to the Clerk's desk so we can be sure that we're all on the same wavelength when we notify the body as to what the divisions will consist of.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Members, stand at ease.

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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is divisible. Members would, if I could have your attention, I will outline the four components of the divided question. The first one will be FA59 (sic) and is subsection (1) (sic) of the committee amendment. The second is FA58 (sic), which is subsection (sic) 1 (sic), 3, 9, 10, and 11 of the committee amendment. The third component is FA60, which is subsection (4), (5), and (6) of the committee amendment. And the last component is FA61, which is subsections (7) and (8) of the committee amendment. Senator Brashear, it's my understanding you'd like to take them up in