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SENATOR CHAMBERS: (Laugh) Okay. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Janssen, your light is next.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. We've been, you know, we've been talking about statistics. I don't know, we are on the fee, that division of the committee amendments, and I would...I would like to stay on that fee such as Senator Chambers is doing. But I want to get a little quote here from someone from the state of Texas and he is the district attorney in Houston, Texas, and we was very adamantly opposed to a bill when it was introduced in the state of Texas. And a quote from him says: I find that I have a lot of egg on my face. Conceal license handgun owners are among the...are safer than the population as a whole in the state of Texas. Out of 195,000 permits, only 600 have been revoked, 600. That's not very many out of 194,000 applicants. And we also...we talk about the crime rate in the United States that has dropped since 1987. Well, there are 43 states that have some type of a handgun permit, an issue of a concealed weapon in our...out of our 50 states right now. I don't have any statistics that say that the training they have received has probably helped...helped to drop that, but I would imagine it certainly hasn't hurt anything because of the fact when you look at 600 have been revoked out of 194,000. We don't know, because those states have adopted a concealed carry, some type, something like this bill, but I do know that this, this legislation is probably one of the...one of the toughest there are around, and this is because over the last couple of years we have taken the amendments and put them into the bill that some of the law enforcement have been concerned about. Their concerns were incorporated into this bill. Not all of them, but about 99 percent of them were. So I just wanted to bring up a few of these little statistics that go the other way too. Statistics can be construed in a lot of different ways. It all depends upon how you want to use them, the question you ask, so on and so forth. And I think we're...we're not naive enough to believe that that can't happen. I know it can. I've got statistics. I could read for a half an hour some of the statistics that have been...that have been...that have been published that are contrary to the ones that have been