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reduction in violent crime. The authors also mistakenly categorize some state laws as "shall issue" laws, even though a careful reading of the laws reveals that there is still discretion allowed in granting a gun carrying permit. They also used arrest ratios, arrests for crime committed in a given year to predict changes in crime rate. And that was a method that was deemed inappropriate nearly 20 years ago by the National Academy of Sciences panel of experts. They also departed from some pretty well-established facts about crime. Their results indicated that "shall issue" laws have little or no effect on robbery rates, the kind of street crimes "shall issue" laws were actually enacted to deter. And I think that's been discussed here on the floor. The strongest effects of "shall issue" laws detected by these authors were for rape, aggravated assault and murder. These are crimes, however, for which a victim carrying a gun in public would usually not be relevant because most are committed by someone...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR KIEL: ...known to the victim. And, as I have mentioned before, especially in the case of women who are murdered by men, overwhelmingly women are murdered by men who are known to them, not strangers. They also concluded that criminals, in response to "shall issue" laws, substituted property crime for crimes which do not involve acquisition of money or property. But no credible criminal logic theory can explain why a criminal would steal a car because he felt deterred from assaulting someone. The statistics, the analysis that was used in the study that has been cited everywhere to support passing concealed weapons laws is absolutely flawed, it has reached incorrect conclusions. And I would say to anyone who is using this as the excuse or reason for passing a concealed weapons law to take a closer look at the research that's been done on this,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR KIEL: ...and realize that these kinds of things are not relevant to the state of Nebraska. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kiel. Senator Tyson.