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component of the divided committee amendment. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the last component of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Committee amendments are adopted. We now move to debate on the advancement of the bill. Mr. Clerk, an amendment?

CLERK: Senator Bohlke, I have an amendment from you, Senator, AM0885, but with a note that you want to withdraw and reoffer it another time. Is that correct?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes, I'd like to pass over until Select File.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Debate on advancement? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I'm not going to speak against the advancement of this bill, but rather against those commandos out there who are the Carrier Enforcement enforcers. Senator Tyson, whom I refer to as the Baron, had given the German pronunciation of the words that make up the term Gestapo. That's the image that I have of those people in Carrier Enforcement. Whenever they want to convert the power of the state into a symbol of threatening violence, I think it is a misuse of state power and an inappropriate way for the Legislature to allow these individuals to be attired and to conduct themselves. "Baron" Tyson and I had discussed the right of a person, right now under the law, to carry a sidearm in plain view. He correctly pointed out that carrying a weapon like that could be perceived as a threat or a challenge. So, when you have these people whose job it is not to catch criminals and enforce the criminal law, but to deal with these trucks and truck violations, to be posturing and strutting around with sidearms and trousers tucked in their boots, it's an inappropriate representation of the state, in my opinion. I don't know if there's anybody, other than Senator Bromm, on the Transportation Committee who has seen those individuals. Though Senator Baker is a trucker, I'd like to ask Senator Baker a