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it, because until you talk about taking away the driver's license of these teenagers, I don't think we're serious about curbing teenage drinking.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend the Hilgert amendment, Mr. President. (FA206, Legislative Journal page 2030.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, I'm going to get into the spirit of the activities today. I would add this language to Senator Hilgert's amendment, because by "jing", or by the Almighty, or by the Eternal, we got to get these kids in line. And I want any kid within the sound of my voice to pay attention and listen up. "In addition to any other penalty, any person guilty of being a minor in possession shall be given 39 lashes with a bull whip." Everybody has talked about our inability to get their attention. They don't care about fines, they don't care about the threat of jail, but you put that lash on their back...and see, I have what might be called memory embedded in my genes of a time when people of my variety were subject to the bullwhip, and people of your variety would be subject to the bullwhip if you had the temerity to teach one of my variety how to read, because, see, a black man educated is a good plow hand spoiled. And if the bullwhip was good enough in them days, by God, the bullwhip is good enough in these here days. And we got to get these here kids out of their wrongful conduct. You all know what the Bible said. "Spare the rod and spoil the child." We got to start obeying that Bible. We gonna obey it when it comes to the rules that the Department of Education puts in place, and we gonna obey it all the way down the line, or we not gonna obey it at all. If we're going to wage war on these young people, let's show them that we mean business. We've been coddling them. But here's something interesting. I've never heard the various senators who approve of this kind of thing that Senator Hilgert's amendment would do say, let's not limit it to people by age. Let's punish conduct, and do this kind of thing to whoever violates the liquor laws. But while you hear