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Schmitt mentioned the other states that have legislation of this kind, not necessarily to indicate that you ought to vote for it for that reason, but to indicate that a problem of this kind exists in other places. And the fact that we're dealing with a term of art in law enforcement causes me to not be sure that what Senator Raikes is suggesting is necessary. My earlier comments were for the purpose of just seeing exactly what it was he was suggesting be done by way of amendment, not necessarily that I would agree.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schmitt, on the advancement of LB 204.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yes, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I guess seeing and addressing Senator Raikes' concern there with the putting "minimum" in there, I don't want to see any number put in there. I think I just want to use the word "certain" because I wouldn't want to put "minimum" or "maximum", either one, in that particular range. As far as putting the "traffic" in there, that probably wouldn't be a problem, and on line 7 I need to look at it just a minute here. It says where the purpose of this section is to prohibit the quotas, I think that needs to be left in there because that is the purpose of the bill. So I don't know whether this answers Senator Raikes' concerns. Him and Senator Chambers, I think, are addressing this and probably getting it worked out, but I just don't want any numbers in there, whether they are percentage or whatever they are, because when you get percentages, you end up with a certain number. So I hope that answers the questions. I'll return my time back to the Chair.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Schmitt. Senator Schmitt, you're recognized to close on the advancement of LB 204.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Well, I think we've had considerable discussion here and I think a lot of the issues have been brought about, the concerns, and every thing and, again, I just want to state that there wasn't any opposition to this in the committee and would ask for your support to advance this to General File. Thank you.