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would mean a traffic infraction is anything else. Now we're leaving...we're leaving...the Supreme Court, I guess, of course has interpreted what the Rules of the Road are and what it means if you violate one of those, and we're leaving that stand. I mean, I don't think we can change that anyway without...I mean I don't think we can without a total different approach to our entire traffic law structure, and we're not...we're not prepared to do that. We're not suggesting we do that at this point. We're simply removing from the statute what appears to be an erroneous statement and that is that a traffic infraction is a civil offense. And that's what it does. Now Senator Chambers, being the student of this that he is, may be able to tell us that this has other far-reaching ramifications that the rest of us haven't thought about, but I don't know...I don't know what that is. I think it simply makes the statute consistent with that Supreme Court case that's been mentioned. Thank you, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. We are discussing the committee amendments to LB 74. Senator Engel, on the committee amendments.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. President, members of the body, I would like to ask Senator Bromm a question, if I might.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bromm, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR BROMM: Yes, I would.

SENATOR ENGEL: In going over this with my staff, your amendment itself, it seems that the amendment kind of muddies the waters because the court would not know whether an infraction is civil or criminal, and could infer that our intent was to make it criminal. Is this assertion correct, or is that what you just explained to us?

SENATOR BROMM: The amendment, I think, Senator Engel, removes the conclusion that a traffic infraction of the Rules of the Road is a civil offense, because in fact the Supreme Court has said it isn't. So it removes that statement because that would