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because I want us to have a chance to talk a little bit more about various other aspects of the bill. My amendment, so that Senator Bromm will be aware of it, would be on page 16, and this language on page 16 deals with the notice that a dealer who is going to deliver a car must give to a consumer based on the law's language that will be found on page 15. The law makes the dealer jointly and severally liable to the person to whom the vehicle is delivered for all applicable laws and contracts with the seller. On page 16, when we deal with the notice that the dealer has to give, I'm going to make that language in the notice track the language of the law that will be on page 15. So in line 4 on page 16, after the word "all" I would insert "applicable". Farther along that line, when we get to the word "contracts", I would insert, after "contracts", the words "with the seller". Then this language in the notice would track that of the operative law, and we would have this language as a result: "The dealer shall notify the purchaser in writing that the dealer is jointly and severally liable with the seller for compliance with all applicable laws and contracts with the seller." Instead of just saying "all applicable laws and all contracts", we're making it clear that we mean laws applicable to this transaction and contracts with the seller, not just any and all contracts. That will give guidance all the way along the line, if this bill is enacted into law, of how this procedure is going to work. It should be kept in mind, while we're discussing all of these details, that the aim of this bill, if I have it correct, is to prevent a manufacturer from using the leverage that he or she would have,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...were that manufacturer to start a dealership, to take unfair advantage of others who may have dealerships with that manufacturer. That generally is what this bill is aimed at. But I think we have a good bit of work to do before we get this bill in the shape it needs to be in to even articulate that goal.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Kristensen, on the Bromm amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the