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LB 1004

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that other state's law could be used for the purpose of determining the number of priors that a person had as a basis for enhancing or increasing the punishment. I don't think that ordinances of villages and cities in other states ought to be used for that purpose, and before I explain it, I put on my light because I won't have enough time at this point.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further debate on the Chambers amendment, Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Chambers, can I ask you a few questions about this amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yeah, I guess.

SENATOR HILGERT: The last time, when on General File, on LB 1004, we had some brief debate regarding who would be subject to the background checks, and at the time the bill did not require that the county attorneys do these background checks on all individuals, that it was their prerogative on who to do these checks on. And I believe that we had talked about even perhaps requiring that those folks who move from surrounding states trying to work out some sort of arrangement. I was told at that time that that issue would be worked on before Select File. Does your amendment touch that at all?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No.

SENATOR HILGERT: And the reason I am concerned with that is, frankly, if you're talking about this concept of saying, well, we want to close the doors to drunk drivers in Nebraska, we don't want drunk drivers to move to Nebraska, and if you've been alive for the last five years, you realize the largest group of people moving to Nebraska are of Latino descent, and the reason I mention that is because you can't, by looking at someone, see different characteristics, so there is now more and more of an assumption that if you're Hispanic you may be new to this state. My fear is that this law would be disproportionately used