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that. And I think they should get...if we can haul heavier loads in a safe manner, it increases the efficiency of the trucking industry of this state. And I think that's going to be the future of trucking in this nation. So, any questions, I'd be glad to try and answer. Appears to be a very noncontroversial bill. But that's all in the individual's perspective of this issue.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Is it on now? Okay. There. Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, as Senator Schrock mentioned, I had introduced a bill that was heard immediately prior to his bill. And mine was brought to me by a tow truck operator in North Platte. And he'd had the sad experience, operating under the current law which provided 95 feet maximum length for towed and towing vehicle, and he had the experience that he was called out on the Interstate in the North Platte area, and he was called out by the Patrol, and then he'd pick up the unit and then would be fined for being over length. And after about four of those, he said, I'm not going to pick up any more trucks, because I can't have a towing bill and then pay a fine that's somewhere close to the towing bill. So it was obvious that there needs to be a change. What I was proposing was to increase the length of the unit from 95 to 125 feet. And under the testimony of most everybody that was involved with this, that would cover the length that would take care of the situation under all of the existing equipment that's being used on the highway. Now, I was not there at the time that the committee in its wisdom determined that it should be unlimited. I think I have a big concern about the...making it unlimited on all of our highways. My tow truck operator, when he was describing his operation, said that the furthest length that he had traveled to bring a vehicle into safe harbor area was in Valentine. Well, you can imagine the road from Valentine to North Platte, a two-lane highway. And if you have unlimited length of vehicles on that, I think that that's a safety hazard. And so for that reason, on Select File, if this advances, which I'm sure it will, if this advances, I'm going to propose that there be a modification of this to provide that the length on