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SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And in Nebraska, do we allow triple trailers?

SENATOR BAKER: No.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. So today, the longest vehicle that you would be doing would be a double trailer, conceivably.

SENATOR BAKER: Without a permit.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Given today's technology and today's...

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...and today's laws with regard to what can be on Nebraska highways.

SENATOR BAKER: There's a restriction on double trailers, from front of the front trailer to the rear of the rear trailer is 65 feet. A normal truck, single trailer combination is 53 feet on that trailer. The doubles got up to 65 feet maximum, plus the length of the truck itself pulling them. So that's where we got into trouble with 125 feet overall.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. So the...did the highway safety people testify on this bill?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, the Carrier Enforcement people did. They testified on Senator Don Pederson's bill, at 125 feet, in a neutral capacity, just to provide us information. They did not testify at all on the second bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Did they...they didn't testify at all on the second bill?

SENATOR BAKER: No, they did not.

SENATOR BEUTLER: And they testified neutral on the first bill?