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SENATOR CONNEALY: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I would let Senator Bromm finish his introduction, if he'd like.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Connealy. I've got my light on and, should my light be next, I'll give the time right back to you, but...and Senator Connealy has done a heck of a lot of work on this, and his staff, and I appreciate that. I want to recognize that. So I'll continue on with a summary of what the bill does. It changes, as I mentioned, the bypass dismissal so that if, on the criminal side, the prosecutor either decides not to file the charge or dismisses the charge or reduces it, that does not affect the administrative side as long as there's been a suspension of the license administratively and if they've gone through a hearing and the hearing officer has found that to be valid to meet the requirements of ALR, that there's a prima facie case that this person was driving and was over the limit of alcohol that we allow, it would not do away with the ALR suspension. So that's probably as important an issue in here as there is. It also provides that any party may appear by telephone for the ALR appeal argument at the district court, and this makes it feasible for the AG's Office to represent DMV at these hearings and eliminates some travel costs and some time. Certainly the appellants' attorney would have the option to appear by phone or in person, whichever they would prefer. This will end claims from county attorneys for representing DMV at these ALR hearings. The other thing that we do that this changes is if you have a automatic license revocation, the person asks for a hearing, you have the hearing and the hearing officer says, yeah, I believe you...there's a case here, that you were intoxicated, we should retain your license, if they appeal that decision to district court now then that stays that suspension. Once again, they're back on the road, back on the street with the car, and this is not generally what happens in this process in other states. This removes that automatic stay of revocation, even though they appeal to district court. That doesn't mean they can't be...that they can't get a stay because, under the Administrative Procedures Act, there is still an opportunity for them to argue to the court that they are entitled to a stay based on the criteria that are in the APA Act, so...but they would have to show certain conditions that