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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: All right.

SENATOR HUDKINS: The current security force will just report to someone different.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Thank you.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Senator Beutler, followed by Senators Quandahl and Chambers.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Hudkins, if I could, I wanted to explore some of the parameters of the bill. First of all, the State Patrol is...will be taking control of buildings and grounds owned or leased by the state of Nebraska in Lincoln, Nebraska? Is that the current language?

SENATOR LANDIS: Senator Hudkins, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR HUDKINS: Yes, I would.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Senator Beutler, the amendment and the intent, the original intent, was just to have the Patrol be in authority over the Capitol security force in the Capitol, in the Governor's residence, surrounding buildings; not everything else. The amendment, in fact, relates to that. The green copy could have been read as saying the Patrol would be in control of security over all of the state buildings. That was not what we intended, and that's why the amendment was written.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. I understand that the committee amendment limits it somewhat. But is there any reason not to just explicitly say, the Capitol building and its grounds? You know, for example, the State Fairgrounds. Are they included with what would come under the purvey (sic) of the State Patrol?

SENATOR HUDKINS: I don't know that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I didn't notice that they were in any of the exclusions in Section 5, and so I was wondering about that. And