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drop it? The training did not prevent that from happening, did it?

SENATOR MOSSEY: I can't...no, I can't dispute that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If somebody had been in the line of the flight of the bullet, that person would have been struck, is that true?

SENATOR MOSSEY: It's possible.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. That's all I'm going to ask Senator Mossey because I just wanted to help demonstrate that training by whomever given is not necessarily going to ensure against the improper use of a weapon. Training, when given, is not necessarily going to "take" on the individuals subjected to the training. There are people who are trained to use a rifle in the military, and when they go on the firing line, they freeze. They aren't shooting at anybody. They are shooting at a target that is not shooting back, and they freeze. Part of it might be because you had to hit the target so many times in order to pass, but I don't know really what it was. There have probably been people who pulled a gun and discharged it when they shouldn't. It happens with civilians all the time. They didn't know the gun was loaded. They didn't intend to kill the person. They just intended to hit him or her upside the head and the gun discharged. They were playing with the gun and it discharged. There is no benefit to society through the proliferation of these weapons. This amendment is valid. It reflects what this bill is about; shoot your neighbor or yourself. That's what this is about. This training, as it's called, is not going to equip a person to adequately handle a weapon. How is a person going to be adequately trained about the appropriate use of deadly or lethal force? Will he or she be given a pamphlet and told to read it? Then an examination of some kind is given where you're asked some questions, and if you answer them, then you pass. That doesn't mean you understand. Police officers have been found not to understand. And some, as a result, have been convicted of inappropriately shooting people. I'm going to fight this bill and I want to try, if I can, to quieten down the populace of Nebraska. I want to try to