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statistical language, that I, quite frankly, do not understand. I do read the charts. I looked at the Donohue charts. And he was one who was most critical of Lott's original 1977 to 1992 material. And even his show that there is a decrease in crime following the onset of concealed carry. Like a lot of other statistical studies, entry of a new state sometimes jiggles...Maine did this, in one study. Rates soared, and the next year...they went up like seven percent, and the next year went down like 26 percent. So a lot of this is...as you recall, Senator Combs, there are lies, there are damned lies, and then there are statistics. And a lot of these are statistics. But generally speaking, the studies that I've seen indicate that there is a lessening of crime, I'm talking about violent crime now, after the passage of these...of this type of "shall issue" permit.

SENATOR COMBS: Thank you. I appreciate that information. I do not believe that if we pass this law that it will increase the number of firearms purchased. I believe what it will do is allow those who already own firearms, such as myself, my family members, to legally be able to carry them on their person and not necessarily have to lay them out on the seat next to us. Perhaps if we're on...you know, driving around, we could have them under the seat, or whatever. I think that's a right. Doesn't mean we're going to use them. It just means that we would like to have the right and the privilege to do that. Like Senator Hudkins, most of my district is in favor of this. And I would support the bill and support the committee amendment. And I would give my time to Senator Tyson if he would like to have it.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you. How much time do I have?

SPEAKER BROMM: You have one and a half minutes.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you. I do want to address something. And first of all, I wanted to put a disclaimer in there. I have every admiration and regard for Senator Schimek, but she gives me more opportunities, and I appreciate it. Thank you. She was talking about violence and how we should not be teaching our children violence. And I agree 100 percent with her. But I