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SENATOR CHAMBERS: But what I'm trying to do here is simplify the definition. We don't need...

SENATOR TYSON: It's about as simple as it gets, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: We don't need a reference to barrel length in this bill, do we, to accomplish the purposes of the bill?

SENATOR TYSON: Is that a question?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Time.

SENATOR TYSON: I...

SENATOR HARTNETT: (Visitors introduced.) Senator Kruse.
Senator Kruse.

SENATOR KRUSE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I stand opposed to the basic bill. I've been trying to listen very carefully here and in my office as to the reasons why we should have such a bill. And I must confess that I, along with Senator Raikes, am more puzzled now than when we began. I hear that this would be...improve safety, but there is no evidence of that. It certainly will not improve my safety. I hear that the public is for it. There is no evidence of that. It's about three to one against it. I hear that if we can do this kind of a thing, we will have a more balanced universe between our police and our people, and I don't see that happening. There is no evidence to back that up. I look at all these arguments and I see at the same time the anxiety of the number of my people, which is not being addressed. And down at the base of it I see us offering and issuing permits to people who are not necessarily balanced. They keep repeating that this is going to be trained and educated persons. Well, trained and educated persons with a gun can do things, as I illustrated the other day, and end up in prison for years because they were defending themselves. Trained and educated persons can be...lose their