

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

April 10, 2003 LB 265A

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not a percentage. I said if...

SENATOR MOSSEY: All?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's a yes or no question. Were all of them members of the police union?

SENATOR MOSSEY: Not all. A majority.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So the answer is no, it doesn't represent all of them, does it?

SENATOR MOSSEY: It represents the majority.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is the majority the same as all? Why are you so...you were very forthright when you were trying to give a reason to support this bill. Now you're tap dancing. I'm going to state it for you, based on what you said. The Omaha Police Union does not represent all of the white officers in Omaha. And Senator Mossey cannot challenge me effectively on that. And I don't see why he finds it difficult to acknowledge that. I don't think there's any union in any workplace that represents every single worker, unless it's a union shop, perhaps. If he sees something wrong with admitting the truth, then the truth is not on his side. Here's the question I will ask him. Senator Mossey, do you feel that the opinion of the...the black officers have a group called the Midwest Guardians, the Brotherhood of Midwest Guardians.

SENATOR MOSSEY: Yes, I know some of their members.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, a lot of them work in the black community. Are you aware of that?

SENATOR MOSSEY: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you feel that their opinion is inconsequential when it comes to how they feel about guns being made more readily available in their community. You didn't feel