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neutrality, and that was confirmed. The police chiefs have come out actively against the bill, and explained why. The sheriffs have come out against the bill, and explained why. Any other time, the Legislature would say it is a credible body of testimony when a group of CEOs spread across the state combine on a position of public safety. Do you think that the police chiefs don't know that criminals have firearms? They know it.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But what they have sense enough to realize is that law enforcement is not to be put into the hands of private citizens who have no training, who are not sworn officers. And you look at the fact that some sworn officers do not behave in the way that they should. So I think any time we spend on this bill is justified. And I'm going to spend whatever time I think is necessary. And I didn't know it would get as deep...become as deep a discussion as it has. But I've got a couple more points to make, so I put a motion on the desk. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to indefinitely postpone the bill. Senator Tyson, you would have the bill to lay the bill over, Senator.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Tyson, there's a motion to indefinitely postpone the bill. You have the option to lay the bill over if you wish.

SENATOR TYSON: Take it up, please.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, Senator Tyson and I have a working relationship that would probably...it would shock most people. But I showed him this motion, explained to him that I'm not going to pursue it, that I need a little more time to make a couple more points, and this way I don't have to ask people to give me time. And I