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bill does not arm criminals; this bill allows those good, decent, hardworking citizens,...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: ...law-abiding citizens, to carry a concealed weapon if they feel it is necessary for a particular purpose. Carrying a gun is not something that you do lightly because if you have any sensibilities whatsoever you understand that you are undertaking a responsibility. And if you are someone who accepts responsibility and you do find the necessity of using that handgun, there will be an investigation and you may be sent to jail. You...this doesn't give you a get-out-of-jail-free card. This allows you to defend yourself and your actions are then subject to legal scrutiny. All this does is allow you, under those circumstances...

SPEAKER BROMM: Time.

SENATOR TYSON: ...where you feel that you...time did you say?

SPEAKER BROMM: Time. Thank you.

SENATOR TYSON: Is your watch right? Oh.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Tyson. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Schimek, this will be your third time, Senator.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I turned my light on just so I could finish this letter from the Sheriff's Association and I'm nearly finished, so be patient. The last thing they mention in that letter is that they wonder about the interplay between present statute and LB 265, and the final concern they list is, if a member of the judicial branch is a permanent holder of a concealed handgun permit, would he or she be in violation of the concealed handgun permit act if he or she would possess a concealed handgun in a courtroom, or if he or she would have an affirmative defense under Nebraska Revised Statute 28-1202? Now, you know, there are really some thought provoking questions in this letter. I'm sure that some of them