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to make sure that you're aware that there is a lot of support with law enforcement for the Concealed Handgun Permit Act. I will be in contact as soon as I receive information on the number voting to oppose the bill. And it's signed G.H. Woodgate, who is Kearney County Sheriff. I have spoken, not just in this past week but previously, with a good number of people in law enforcement and, quite frankly, the vast majority that I have spoken to, and that's to be expected, are in favor of this bill. I believe that a good number of the Omaha Police Department, speaking as individuals, are in favor of this bill. This bill, as it is presently constituted, could stand the improvement of the...one of the amendments that are on the board, and that would be AM1362, and it was along those lines that I discussed the letter from Mr. Boucher of the Nebraska Sheriff's Association. What it really comes down to is that law enforcement realizes that they cannot be at the scene of every crime every time. They'd like to be. That's what they're committed to. They're committed to serve and protect, as it were. I think that's the motto of the Los Angeles Police Department. But as I pointed out in previous discussions on this, they have no legal obligation to protect you, as an individual. They have a legal obligation to preserve peace in the community and that is what they do and that's what they're committed to do. They also try to find out...

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Tyson,...

SENATOR TYSON: ...who the perpetrators of crime are.

SPEAKER BROMM: ...I'm sorry.

SENATOR TYSON: Pardon?

SPEAKER BROMM: Could you wrap up your update? (Laughter)

SENATOR TYSON: (Laugh) Well, I'll need about another hour and a half, Mr. Speaker, but if you'd like me to shut up right now, I will do so. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Tyson. Mr. Clerk, first item, I understand we were on the motion to recommit to