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SENATOR CHAMBERS: I could not understand you.

SENATOR AGUILAR: The intention of that particular section was to not prevent someone from being able to work.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't think you answered my question. Here is my question. Your bill does not protect all people under the age of 18 from this unsafe conduct, does it?

SENATOR AGUILAR: That's correct, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What you are saying is that you're going to weigh the safety of young people against the interests of employers, and the interests of the employers weigh the heaviest in your mind. Is that true?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So another way of saying it is that young people's safety will be sacrificed to the money-making needs of employers. That's blunt, but isn't that in effect what we're saying?

SENATOR AGUILAR: I would never say it that way, Senator. If I had my way and if I thought I could get the bill passed, there would be no exemptions whatsoever.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, whether that's the way you would choose to say it or not, the way I'm saying it is in fact what the situation is, isn't it?

SENATOR AGUILAR: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Aguilar. Members of the Legislature, I am not in favor of allowing a certain segment of the population to exploit young people's safety. If we find, as a Legislature, that a person below the age of 18 riding in certain areas of a vehicle is unsafe and should be prohibited, we should prohibit that kind of conduct to all young people if indeed safety is our true goal. Either we believe that this conduct is unsafe, or we don't. If we don't believe it's