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of you who are so concerned about safety, where were you when we increased the speed limit on the interstate to 75? I can tell you this--I heard on this floor, time after time again, we're going to enforce it. It's going to be 75; it's not going to be any faster. Well, I can drive 75 coming to Lincoln, and half the traffic will pass me. And some of them aren't doing 76; they're doing considerably more than that. And I...supporting Senator Smith on this is a little different for me, because I've always supported Senator Byars on seat belt laws. So maybe it's a little different this time. But I do believe when you're 21, you make an adult decision that this is a decision you should make; the education. Give the people a choice, and they suffer the consequences. So for what that's worth, that's my opinion, and I'm going to continue to vote for the bill. Probably the reason I'm going to vote for it, because the ABATE people were the first people that talked to me when I came in the Legislature. And would I support a...it sounded like...it sounded okay to me, so that's why I support it. And they got to me first. So sometimes, if you want me to support your bill, if you're the first one to talk to me, you'll probably get my support. Because I go pretty easy with whatever direction the wind blows. And so that's where I am today. And thank you for your time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Landis.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Schrock, Senator Jensen and I would like to go on record that we both voted against the 75-mile-an-hour increase. And...well, no, it wasn't a 75-mile-an-hour increase; it was an increase to 75 miles per hour. There are probably others in the body who are arguing on the safety aspects of this bill. But we at least wanted that in the record. I just turned on my light a long time ago. There are a lot of people who are certainly wanting to speak on this bill. I just have a few loose ends I wanted to tie up, and then I'd be happy to give the rest of my time to Senator Jensen or whoever wanted to use it. One of the things that I want to go back to is that committee statement, and the number of people...number of groups that came in on the bill. I don't believe that that's the total number of groups in