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this bill, securing that weapon until that contact has ended with law enforcement or emergency services personnel. Right now, if you're in an ambulance, chances are they're not going to let you ride to the hospital with your weapon, anyway. We are comfortable with that provision in the committee amendments, and I'm comfortable with what this bill aims to do in the manner it suggests in the bill.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR FLOOD: So I would return the balance of my time to the Chair. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Flood. On with discussion. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Connealy.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, first of all, this bill is a lot of pure nonsense. There's no reason for these people to fear everything and everybody in this state. Who are they afraid of? That's what I want to know. How many men need a gun as an extension of his manhood, or for himself to be an extension of a gun? Look how I dress. I don't wear any weapons, but to those people who want to carry these guns, who send the racial slurs, the threats, and show by their conduct they're the very ones who ought not have these guns, I want them to know, I am a weapon. I'm a modest man. Like Senator Stuthman, I'm a short man. I could be referred to as a mere slip of a fellow. But if somebody makes a misjudgment, then he might find out that he miscalculated. But I don't bother anybody. I have never gone around armed, and I don't intend to. And I probably get more threats than anybody on this floor, and you don't hear me running in here saying, every law-abiding citizen ought to have a gun, including me, and I got guns in my pockets, I got a gun in my car, I got guns in my house. I'm just...I don't live in fear. I'm not afraid. But when I listen to people like Senator Flood and Senator Combs, I don't know what kind of people they live around. They're afraid of their neighbors, all those rural people who on other occasions, I'm told, help each other. They trust each other. They live together like an extended family, but they're so afraid of each other they want to go around armed all the time,