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PRESIDENT SHEEHY:    One minute.

SENATOR LOUDEN:       ...with affirmative defense. I think that's probably the best thing that has ever happened in Nebraska, is to have an affirmative defense. I think somewhere along the line some of our law enforcement people have carried it a little bit too far, but at the present time, I'll probably support the bill. But I do have a problem with Section 18 in this bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY:    Thank you, Senator Louden. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Flood, Janssen, and Johnson. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I will say again: All I'm doing is taking time. Nothing said is going to change anybody's mind. I know that. So in taking time, I'm going to put some things into the record. When KETV, which is Channel 7 in Omaha, had a poll or survey on the issues that the public felt to be important. Guns had single-digit interest. It may have been...I may be over giving...giving them too much credit, 4 percent. This is not something the public is clamoring for. The NRA knows how to make a lot of noise and give the impression that they're speaking for everybody, but they're not. When Senator Combs made reference to what I said about these bills leading to the proliferation of guns, the increased profit for the gun manufacturers, more money available to lobby Congress and get legislation favoring the gun industry--which would include the NRA, which is their handmaiden--she made a preposterous statement, which probably should have been a part of my lengthy amendment, which we will get to, which among other things authorizes as a punishment for the totally recalcitrant, the shooting off of that person's finger by Senator Combs. But it sets up procedures by which that is to be done. She said the comment that I had made about bills like this leading to the manufacture and proliferation of more guns could apply to seat belts in vehicles. Would those manufacturers of the material in seat belts be the ones who pushed for seat belts in order to make more money? She knows