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young adults come and play, and in some cases, a lot of older adults come and play. It seems to me that these are the kinds of events (laugh) where tempers do flare and that it would make some sense, and I would think if we're going to include athletic events in this amendment, that it also should include an event, an athletic event in a public place. So whether that's being held on a city property, church property... I mean, that wasn't clarified for me when I asked Senator Flood about it, on defining place of worship. I think that's one of the other very confusing things here. Well, yeah, it's going to cover everything that the church has. Well, is that an athletic field? Well, in his discussion -- and he's off the floor, I would ask him this -- he said, well, you know, it's kind of part of the school. Well, not all churches have their athletic fields at their schools. They've bought property elsewhere, and they have their practices somewhere else, because they're confined in a lot of the city areas that they have. So I think that's just another example of why it would be a great idea for the committee to take this back and sort these things out. I think that's our responsibility as a legislature. I know there aren't...there are some people on the floor still. We don't have a majority. I don't know if we'd get a quorum at...if...we'd have to call the house to do it. I don't know that we have a quorum up here right now. But I do think it's important that we look at these very difficult aspects of this, that someone in our community that we represent is going to have to enforce, and that's going to be local law enforcement. And that's why they're concerned about having this many more guns in their community, whether it be at an athletic game and it's a school, whether school sponsored or not school sponsored. whether it's the issue of the emergency personnel that they're going to have to try to figure out how they're going to secure these weapons, or whether it's just the basic things that this chief, who took the time from his day to come down and testify on this bill, talks about, all those situations in the community that we know about. Senator Howard has talked about it. know, I hadn't thought about that, Senator Howard, but I'm not...you know, as a foster parent we had a whole list of things that we couldn't have in our home. And I don't know whether you want foster parents walking around with concealed weapons. don't know how that fits with this bill, and I think that's ...