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education. You have to know what you're doing with the tools that you have to work with. So I think, after seeing this article in the Lincoln Journal over there, there's a few senators here in this room that walk down that street to and from the office, that live down that street there. So I guess I would ask them whether or not they would probably want to even wait for the chance to have a permit to carry a gun. They would have a valid argument that they could carry one at the present time, because...and have a...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...plead an affirmative defense, because this certainly must be getting to be a dangerous area to live in. But we can't allow this to happen right here in the sight of our State Capitol, have somebody mugged. Good Lord, what are we doing here when we're sitting here? We should be considering about what the bad guys are doing. We have murder at the rate of 1 every 12 days or so in Omaha. Last year 30 or so were murdered in the Omaha vicinity, and you figure that out, that's 1 every 12 days. We should be discussing what we're going to do to protect citizens, rather than what we're going to do to help the bad guys. The bad people aren't going to worry about this law. They're going to have their guns anyway. This is something for the concerned citizen and the person that is willing to take training and learn what...how to handle their weapons and go from there, so they have a certain amount of protection in their home. If there's areas that it isn't prudent for them to have guns, because they do not think they can...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator.

SENATOR LOUDEN: ...defend themselves properly, it shouldn't be done. Thank you, Lieutenant Governor.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I appreciate the opportunity to renew the discussion today, because actually I've learned a few things, even overnight,