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about the concealed carry issue that I would like to share with you today. And, Senator Loudon, I think the last sentence in this particular little "From the Blotter" story is instructive because it says neither she nor her daughter were hurt. I personally think that this was a much better situation than if somebody had pulled a gun, and somebody else had deflected that gun, and someone innocently would have been killed. I don't think that's an outcome that would be improved by concealed carry. I had a constituent leave a message on my telephone yesterday, and I didn't get him called back till this morning, but he sent me some information which I think is pretty interesting. And I think if anybody else were to be looking at this open-mindedly, and maybe I'm not open-minded, but I think this is pretty interesting. In Texas in 1995, they passed a concealed carry bill, and it took effect the next year, in 1996. And one of the very, very, very unique provisions about the Texas law was that there would be actually data detailing the day-to-day, real effect of their law. And these statistics would talk about what kind of crimes were being committed in the state, and which ones were actually involving people who were licensed to carry concealed weapons. And the interesting thing about this to me is not that Texas did it, but that no other state in the entire United States has anything in the way of statistics to tell what kind of crimes are being committed by those under a concealed carry law, and who have concealed carry licenses. This law, incidentally, only lasted until 2001, so after 2001, Texas doesn't have any statistics, either. But I would like to share with you some of the information that they did collect in Texas. According to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas concealed handgun license holders were arrested for a total of 5,314 crimes from January 1996 to August 31, 2001; 5,314 crimes. And I keep hearing on the floor of this Legislature that crime won't increase with concealed carry laws; that only good people will be allowed to carry handguns. Crimes...this report...and incidentally, this is put out by the group in Texas called the Violence Policy Center,...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...but they go on to say in this report that crimes for which license holders were arrested include murder,