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to raise. This morning when she brought up the concern from the Violence Policy Center, there's a web site out there that debunks all of their myths. That's how old this issue is. We're not going to change anybody's mind. But if you have legitimate concerns, let's stop this mockery of saying, let's delay, let's delay, let's avoid, let's not do anything. If you have legitimate concerns and you missed your opportunity as a responsible citizen of the state of Nebraska to be a part of the public hearing, then come to the members of the Legislature and try to work out a resolution. The result of the opposition of this will not solve the problem, because they're not willing to accept that. It's nothing, or you're not going to get a vote. And I guess if that's the option before us, cloture sounds really good to me. But I'm willing to work with Senator Schimek or whoever. And I think Senator Flood is going to address...

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time, Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: ...some of the concerns that were brought up, as well. But that's not the path we're heading down from the opposition. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Time. Senator Flood.

SENATOR FLOOD: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I rise to have a conversation with Senator Schimek about some of the statements that were recently made with regard to the germaneness rule, and where we sit with regard to the city versus the state's rights. I think it's a very valid point, and thanks to Senator Schimek for pointing it out yesterday. I think she raised an issue that, if uncorrected, will cause quite a bit of concern among folks trying to determine what is the rule, what is the law in the state of Nebraska. Unlike Senator Tyson's bill, as originally presented back in 1999, Senator Combs' bill does not address the situation of a city's right under the statute to enact ordinances that would essentially prohibit the carrying of a concealed weapon. It's beyond me right now to be able to answer the question as to what would happen if we passed this bill as contemplated in AMO810 that would become LB 454 in communities like Omaha, Lincoln, and cities of the first class. For that reason, I think it deserves