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them to know that I'm enjoying myself so much that they ought to have a stroke, or however Puritans react. But I intend to do what I am doing. Senator Landis agrees with this amendment, Senator Friend agrees with it, and I knew that once I'd called it to their attention, they would agree with it. None of us wants surplusage in the statute. There are some who think that a certain 1891 law is surplusage, because it allows to come into being a set of circumstances they wish were not here. Surplusage, as Senator Landis and I and Senator Friend would use that term, means unnecessary, useless, no purpose. It's there, encumbering space and does nothing, except encumber space. I have not really had a chance to address in detail a bill that some of you have brought, but if you have a bill on here, I'm going to try not to ignore you, and I'm going to try to give you as much attention as I've given everybody else, so you won't go out of here and have your constituents say, you must not be very important, Senator Chambers just let your little old bill go and didn't even talk about it. And I don't want that to happen. I want your constituents to realize that I came after your bill, too; that you have spoiled my day. You made me read your bill, you made me do some work, and they'll like that, and they'll praise you for it. But other than the budget, what bill do we really have to pass in order to do our job as a Legislature? Do we have to mess with taxes? No. Do we have to let people run around here carrying guns? No. And on that score, if I already told you this, then it bears repeating, because I'm going to repeat it again, when...if we get to Senator Combs' bill. And if we don't, then I'm going to repeat it anyway. There was a fellow who had not committed any crimes, and he had a gun. He'd been in the military. He had been in wars in Iraq, the first...Iraq war one, and probably Iraq war two, under both of the Bushes. And there was a fellow on the street, sitting in his car, in Arnold, and this upstanding, law-abiding, Christian American, exercising his right to have a gun, didn't like the fact that this fellow was being too noisy and not showing respect. So this law-abiding American who, because he'd had military training, would not have been required to take the training under Senator Combs' bill or Senator Stuhr's security guard bill, because they can show the equivalent training, he put the gun in the car. Then as these guns do, it went off and he killed a man. And when he went to trial,...