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the fringes where the better-off people are found. I have mentioned on this floor the lack of respect I have for the U.S. Attorney in Omaha and the director of the FBI. I have made it clear to both of them that there is an overabundance of guns in my community in the hands of teenagers, and in some cases subteens, and they won't do anything about it. And I'm going to give state money for that kind of nonsense? I will keep us on this budget till 11:59, and I want you all to test me. What are a few hours to me, when I come from a community where people are dying? You can speculate, as I told the person I was talking to, about how many people may or may not die from the use of drugs. But you don't have to speculate about how many people are killed by these guns, because when the corpse shows up, that is a statistic. Babies are shot, women are shot, old people, and the FBI has no interest and no concern. What am I supposed to do? Buy a look-alike police uniform and go try to put people in jail because the FBI and the Justice Department will not do their job? Ah, forget the Omaha police. They might be some of the ones making these guns available. And I'm going to go for something like this? I'm going to keep you all here this afternoon and this evening and tonight, because I'm going to offer amendment after amendment after amendment, and the only way I can be stopped is if Senator Pederson pulls his.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So we're going to have a war of wills, Senator Pederson and the sheriffs against Ernie Chambers and nobody, and we'll see who prevails. And the rest of you all don't have to get involved. You don't have to say anything. Just sit here and listen and watch, or go to the lounge, or go to your offices, or go home. But I know what I've got to do, and I am going to do it. I won't be like some of my colleagues and perhaps mislead you. I want you to know where I'm coming from, I want you to know how I'm coming, and I want you to know what I'm going to do. And we'll find out this afternoon if I'm bluffing, if I'm shooting blanks, if I'm playing with smoke and mirrors. Let us just see if this elderly gray-haired gentleman can last the number of hours between now and 11:59 tonight. And if I...