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drive without having actual physical possession of that driver's license on your person. Now these two techniques, the suspension and the impoundment, like I said, have been found effective in deterring underage alcohol consumption in 33 other states, and that's why it was included in this particular form of the bill. And I guess I've never said that I wasn't willing to work with others to find creative ways to make the statutes in the state of Nebraska better and more effective, just as long as that we have something that I guess conforms to and that would further the public purpose that's proposed by this bill, which is to deter underage drinking. But I'm willing to talk. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, first of all, there will be a Business and Labor Executive Session at 10:30 underneath the north balcony. Business and Labor at 10:30. Natural Resources Committee reports LB 404, LB 778, LB 787 to General File; LB 373, LB 777 to General File with amendments; and LB 98, LB 218, LB 760 as indefinitely postponed. Senator Byars has an amendment to LB 692 to be printed; Senator Vrtiska offers LR 46. (Read for the first time.) That will be laid over. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 1041-1045.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We go back to debating the reconsideration motion. Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I have not spoken on this bill but after Senator Quandahl's last comments, it sounds like Senator Quandahl wants to advance a public policy initiative that sends a message to young people in the state of Nebraska that it's not good, that it's not healthy, that you shouldn't be drinking. I don't think that that is too controversial. Now how to do that? One, and I've listened to some of the debate, and Senator Kruse and others are very concerned about this issue. Now since we're going to be talking a little bit about creative ways to get to that public policy initiative, that place that Senator Quandahl wants to take us,