

deal with? Basically it is an intent statement, but it is a very pointed intent statement to say the least and basically the point it's driving home I guess is that all of this is coming about because the American automobile manufacturers want it and for no other reason. And I guess I'm against the amendment for two reasons. First of all, I don't think that's completely accurate or fair and, secondly, even if it were accurate and fair it's unprecedented in this Legislature that we put into a statement of intent that a bill is in some senator's opinion the...basically the work of a particular group of people. We just don't do that and I hope the freshmen are clear that that's an unprecedented attempt. But in getting back to the first question as to whether it is accurate or not, I would ask you to flip back to your bill book to the committee hearing on this particular bill. Now it's true that there were representatives from the automobile manufacturing association there and it is certainly true that the car dealers are behind this bill. But let me read the other people that cared enough about it to come testify, Nebraska State Patrol, Department of Motor Vehicles, St. Francis Hospital of Grand Island, Omaha Trauma Center, Cornhusker Insurance, Lincoln Plastic Surgeons, Office of Highway Safety, Omaha Safety Council, Better Nebraska Association, Safety Council of Nebraska, Nebraska Public Health Association, Northwestern Bell. Now I would hardly say that this bill then represents only the point of view of the car dealers and I think it's not fair to assert such in this particular amendment. I think that is basically what I would like to point out, Mr. Speaker. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I would also arise to oppose Senator Chambers' amendment and I would like to adopt Senator Beutler's reasons and Senator Morehead's reasons which are excellent, but let me point out in addition that in the six or eight or ten times Senator Chambers has already spoken on this bill on General File and Select File, he has made some effective arguments, but in so doing I think he has really diverted everyone's attention from the real purpose of this bill and the real effect of this bill. And that is to save lives and save personal injuries and there is no question given the experience in New York and given the projectist statistics here in Nebraska and other figures we have access to, that if we can