

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I have had the opportunity to talk to Senator Morehead today than I have the whole time she has been in the Legislature and she has got to listen to me and she has to answer. And, Senator Morehead, I want to talk to you again, if I may. Senator Hefner has this amendment and I am sure he brought it to you because you had mentioned it earlier so you know basically what it says. Will this take the bill out of compliance with the requirement of DOT Standard 208, paragraph (b), which says that waivers can be granted only for medical reasons?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Senator Chambers, I will preference my answer by saying that as I pointed out earlier this morning, rules of the road are the prerogative of the states. In attempting to meet DOT standards, yes it does, but it is still the prerogative of our state to adopt whatever we want, whether it is Senator Pirsch's amendment or this one or some other.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this one doesn't bother you so much about taking us out of compliance with DOT Standard 208, does it? If it is taking us out of compliance and...well, let me ask you a question. Do you support this amendment?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Even though it will take us out of compliance?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Well, I think there are already some other things that maybe take us out of compliance a little ways also.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: My good friend, Senator Morehead, that is not the question that I asked you. This one will take us out of compliance also though, won't it?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: I am not positive that it will, but my thinking...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Let me make it easier then.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: ...is probably that it will.