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SENATOR HOAGLAND: All right, now if we don't save...my question to you, this is a key question, Senator Smith. If we don't save those lives, will you be willing to support a helmet bill one, two or three years from now? That's what I want to know.

SENATOR SMITH: I will be very serious about looking at that issue, but as you know, Senator Hoagland, I'm up for reelection in two years.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: But you'd be inclined to support a helmet bill if we don't save lives as a result of this bill?

SENATOR SMITH: Well, I'll tell you what, Senator Hoagland, you're not going to put me on record at this moment of saying I'm going to support any helmet law. We're dealing with an education bill right now and that's what I am supportive of.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: But your position of this point has been that we don't need a helmet bill because education is enough, right?

SENATOR SMITH: We haven't tried this one yet and allowed it to be effective. Let's see what this one does.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: And if it doesn't work, you'll support a helmet bill, right?

SENATOR SMITH: I've already given my answer on that.

SPEAKER NICHOL PRESIDING

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SENATOR HOAGLAND: I have nothing further, Mr. Speaker, thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Sieck.

SENATOR SIECK: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I do want to speak on the bill a little bit. I'm real pleased that the education department and the highway safety people got together and decided the highway safety people were the best people to implement this program. I know that I received several letters from some of the individuals that was