

SENATOR HOHENSTEIN: I move to advance LB 292 to E & R for engrossing.

PRESIDENT MOUL: You've heard the motion to advance LB 292. All those in favor please say aye. Opposed nay. LB 292 is advanced. LB 117.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Ashford would move to return. Senator, I understand you want to withdraw your amendment that was printed. Senator Ashford would move to return, Madam President. (Ashford amendment, FA112, appears on pages 1681-82 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you, Madam President and members. Several weeks ago we ran the bill, LB 83, which deals with locking up firearms and...on two occasions. And the amendment that I've withdrawn is that bill again. But what I am intending to do is to substitute a compromise measure that I think will, hopefully, go a long ways towards solving, at least notifying the public and making the public more aware of the problem with violence and children and our society. And you have in front of you, I believe, what's been handed out is a brochure that has been...is utilized in the State of New Mexico, point...it has two elements to it. The portion on the left is actually a point of sale item which is attached to each firearm that is sold in the State of New Mexico. And then the other part of it, on the right-hand side is a...is a brochure that is made available to gun buyers in the State of Iowa dealing with the problem of children and guns, keeping guns locked up and not...and locked up and away from children when adults are not present. This public health initiative, in New Mexico, has been successful. Our Department of Health is working up a similar initiative here in Nebraska and actually have prepared a prototype of a poster that they plan to distribute, or would like to distribute in various gun stores around the state. What my amendment does is require that licensed gun dealers attach this information, or similar information to the New Mexico information on each firearm that's sold, and hand out the brochure that is also on this...on this sheet, that would be the brochure that would be developed by our Department of Health. The amendment also sets up a...and you have the amendment in front of you, it sets up a firearm information fund which allows for private contributions. In New Mexico, the National Rifle Association contributed to the