

Secretary: Vote explanation please. Senator Boquist

“SB 201 is a DUII bill that was unclear going to the Floor. Despite a ‘yes’ vote it requires a note in the record. The Carrier’s presentation did not contain the assurances from other committee members that the bill “puts the burden of proof on the State to prove” the person violated the law. There is a decent amount of testimony in the OLIS record on the bill for future reference for which most is in opposition. That opposition appears to be in its bill writing as not accomplishing a re-statement of legislative intent as claimed by the Attorney General. Defense lawyers testified the bill does not do what the AG purports. Just as odd is the fact District Attorneys prosecute DUIIs not the Attorney General but not one District Attorney is listed in OLIS Testimony. It is the word of the law in the bill that matters in the courtroom. This issue will likely need addressed again by the Legislative Assembly.”