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Posted by [tojocky](#) on Wed, 12 May 2010 13:55:17 GMT  
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Thank you Mirek for hint!

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Posted by [frankdeprins](#) on Fri, 21 May 2010 07:06:18 GMT  
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To be sure, remove comments form sql statement!

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Yes, but when a user of the tool posts a statement, there can be comments in it. You have no control over what he posts as statement. Of course you can programatically remove the comments, but that is not always OK. Sometimes, with DDL statements, you want the comments in the database. I do this often so that the comments are available when I ask the creation statement of an object in sqlite. See it as a form of database documentation.

Anyway, I think that any statement that is valid for sqlite, should be accepted by the Ultimate wrapper as well, without mistaking question marks as bind variables when they aren't.

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