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242A is just...it's a fiscal note just to catch up with the LB 242. What it is is just a transfer of funds, of \$160,000, from one program to another, and I request that you advance the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Engel. Is there discussion the advancement of LB 242A? Senator Engel, you're recognized to close. Senator Engel waives closing. The question before us is the advancement of LB 242A. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 242A.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: LB 242A is advanced. (Introduced visitors.) Mr. Clerk, since Mr...Senator Hartnett is excused, we will proceed to General File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 76, a bill by Senator Chambers. (Read title.) The Legislature discussed the legislation yesterday, Mr. President. Committee amendments were offered by Judiciary Committee. Senator Chambers had an amendment to the committee amendments that was adopted. I do have additional...an additional amendment to the committee amendments.

Mr. President, the first amendment this morning to the committee amendments is by Senator Bruning. (FA105, Legislative Journal page 1554.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Bruning, you're recognized on your amendment to the committee amendments to LB 76.

SENATOR BRUNING: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the amendment I have offered today may be exactly the middle ground that some members of this body are looking for. Much of the discussion yesterday centered around whether or not the death penalty is fairly applied, whether it applies the same to black people as it does to white people, whether it applies the same whether the victim is black or the victim is white. In Nebraska, of the ten people, ten men on death row, eight are white, one is black, one, I believe, is Native American. What