

think a majority of the members of this body should support the concepts in this bill. I think the majority of the people of this state would definitely support the concepts of this bill and then we get back to the whole question again of what about the image of the State of Nebraska has of this body and I think the image is in jeopardy. I think people have felt that we have introduced this bill and proceeded to try and deal with a problem they were concerned about and I think we have gained the respect of many people who before had been so cynical because they have seen that this body was trying to do something about a problem that they were concerned about. But now at this stage to say no, no, we don't really care, no, it is too difficult to work out, no, we don't want to proceed with this, is I think, a slap in the face of the public of the State of Nebraska and no matter how much of a difficulty you may have with some provisions of the bill, to do nothing this year would be, I think, terribly wrong. And I think to do something, at least the best we can do at this time, would be a very wise choice to make. Senator Fenger surprises me with this motion because I saw him at the hearing on this bill. I saw him as a private citizen come before the Accountability and Disclosure Commission and talk about the problems he saw that needed to be addressed and yet here he is today, after being elected to office, turning quite around and saying, well, you know, let's study it, let's look at it further, when, in fact, there was nobody more strident in their concerns this last summer to do something about the problem. Well, I don't know if office changes people that much. Maybe it has in this case. I would hope not but it should not dull our memories. It should not dull our senses of what is right and wrong and I am concerned very much that maybe we are losing sight of the fact that the general public out there, the million and a half people in the state, that I think are concerned about this issue should not be forgotten and the killing of this bill at this time would be very wrong and certainly something that we should not do. Support of the bill is encouraged. Opposition to the kill motion is encouraged as well.

SENATOR NICHOL PRESIDING

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise to support Senator Fenger's, however, I hadn't seen Senator Johnny DeCamp's amendment and I like his much better than killing the bill. But to speak to supporting Senator Fenger, it says you can't use money for personal use. Now, I have a district of three hundred and fifty miles from one corner to the other and it has got ten counties. Sometimes