

from voting, I must vote no on this resolution.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Weihing, please.

SENATOR WEIHING: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, there are many, many varieties of poppies. Those varieties which are used for the production of drugs have been bred that way, been selected, and that has been...that by the act of man. The poppies that they're speaking of with regards to in Flanders where those are wild, they were not in any way, in any connotation or use in the way of drug. We can do many things to distort our brains as to what is meant. It is up to us to control ourselves with regards to these. The poppy, the flower is very beautiful. At the time that that poem was written, that person had no connotation whatsoever, he was concerned, he was remorseful, and he wanted to point out that there was beauty among death. And I really don't feel that we should bring in and attempt to say that every poppy plant that grows is an illicit plant. It was not illicit until man selected, bred...selected and bred and made certain ones of those illicit. I stand up for resolution, LR 200 (sic).

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I've always admired the background information that Senator Weihing can bring to the discussion of a subject, so I'd like to ask him a question or two, if I may.

PRESIDENT: Senator Weihing, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Weihing, can you think of any plant or animal, and when I say animal I include insects, which, if left alone by human beings, would not be serious threats and hazards to human beings?

SENATOR WEIHING: If left....I don't quite understand your question, if...any species?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR WEIHING: ...is left alone?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.