

by the Legislature. Now, Senator Rogers has probably voted against the death penalty, I don't really know. What he doesn't know, obviously, is that because somebody doesn't get death doesn't mean they go free. They are sentenced, they are put in jail. To get back to the way some of us have been trying to discuss this matter, women are entitled to consideration and what I will say or could say to Senator Rogers is what he is saying is that if a woman is going to die, let her die, we don't care. That is the way it is supposed to be, but I am not going to do that to him. If that is what he chooses to say, he will say it. It is going to be impossible to resolve this issue in a legislative setting. There have been issues on which Senator Rogers and I have agreed. Senator Rogers took a challenge that I made and tried to deliver on it. I had talked about a silk purse out of a sow's ear and he had a tanner take a sow's ear and attempt to do that, and he delivered it to me with a little doily or a little fringe around it. I kept that. I am sentimental about it. It was given to me by Senator Rogers during friendlier days, but even though the relationship has soured, I am going to keep it, and every time I look at it, I am going to remember the way things used to be. So the fact that we have agreed on things in the past does not mean that days won't come when because of the issue we will be at loggerheads. But because he is angry doesn't mean that I have to respond in anger, and I am not angry. My position is right. If it were wrong and I was not given the ammunition I need to conduct the battle, I would have to respond with anger and try to overcome with great noise and heat what I cannot overcome through reasoned argument and rational discussion, but rationality is on our side. Justice is on our side but on this issue, as was said about another matter, justice is forever on the gallows while villainy sits on...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...the throne. We know this is going to happen on many issues and we, who believe a certain way, are going to have to just be strong enough and ingenious enough to find a way to cause our side to prevail. Everything that I am saying could be repeated by those on the other side, and that I recognize and it is why I stated this morning that I don't expect this to be a sprint but rather a marathon, that we need to pace ourselves because we are going to be here until midnight. I said that and I am prepared to deliver on what I said. That means that there are going to be positions contrary