

same position today. Senator McFarland rising in his chair saying how terrible this is and what a travesty it is, what an abuse of the system it would be. He would be there. Senator Dierks would be upset. What a terrible thing. What are you afraid of, Dave? What are you afraid of? Are you afraid of even opening up for discussion? What are you trying to hide? I could hear it all coming. But this time it's reversed. This time it's reversed. We're always going to get up in these situations at this point no matter what the bill. I would argue that if Senator Withem and Senator Moore wanted their 1059 as badly as I know they did and still do and, hopefully, will have, that if they would have started that saying, listen, it's too important, we've worked too long, we've worked too hard on Select File, we're getting a little close down to time here, we're going to have no amendments, no debate, we're going to try to move it on, you know what would have happened. You know what would have happened. And that was a very important emotional bill. I'm always amazed when people assume no less on something as emotional as this. I think Senator Morrissey hit it very...very clearly in the beginning...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...when Senator Morrissey said, the unfortunate thing is this isn't as innocuous as the other bill was, but it didn't make any difference, we made the motions anyway and here we are. Hopefully, both sides are going to learn something. And I sent a message to the pro-choice people as well as I'm trying to send a message here today. When you try to force something, a point of view down people's throats expect a backlash. There is a common ground here regardless of what both extremes will tell you. And if this body ever puts its mind to it, knowing the people and respecting the people of this body as I do, if you put your mind to it to find the common ground and would have worked towards at the beginning or if we do so next year, I think we will amaze not only ourselves but people all over the world of what we can do. But we have to let those things that we believe in work for us.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And we haven't learned that yet. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion on the motion to reconsider.