

Broken Bow case, one Lincoln case, we really can save a life, but not only one life but two lives or three. I give the rest of my time to Senator Chambers.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I've never knew till this moment what champing at the bit means. But I want to straighten Senator Haberman out. They let him get away with too much nuttiness around here without calling him to book. Senator Haberman, you gave us a book and on page 21 you cited the term "firearm" not handgun, "firearm"; 17 percent of these crimes that you were talking about committed by firearm, which would include shotguns, rifles and pistols. On page 19, you referred to robbery and gave 37 percent as the number or the percentage of firearms, a number...the percentage of crimes committed by firearms. So when I went to murders I used the same standard you used. I used firearms. Had you started by talking about handguns then I would have talked about handguns. But I take you at your word. I ride the horse that you give me then when we get in midstream you want to jerk the horse out from under me but I'm not going to let you get away with that. However, even the worst sinner among us, even the worst sinner among us should not be exempt, Senator Hall, from the possibility of redemption and on the possibility that that redemption might flow down from heaven like a mighty stream this afternoon. Pardon me, Senator Pirsch. I'm going to give Senator Haberman whatever time I have remaining.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the body, Senator Chambers, your point is well taken. You are absolutely right, by putting all firearms in there we're talking about handguns, not firearms, so that puts the percent down lower. Mr. President, this isn't going to pass. I can smell it on the floor. I withdraw the amendment.

SENATOR WARNER: The amendment is withdrawn.

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

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ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, the next item I have is an