

have put Matzke in prison, let him out. So he comes back to Nebraska and we say, well, he was convicted, he's still got to stay in jail. If it was inappropriate to impose the penalty, then don't make the person suffer it, but you're so anxious to drop the hammer you will even add injustice to injustice.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President, and members, just a few quick things. Senator Beutler said something that I like that the visitation and this bill and the things in it are a beginning. And that is true, although I might change it to ongoing. I have a good friend, and she's a good friend of many of you here too, in Lincoln, that has worked at least 25 or 30 years trying to get some kind of common sense system to get child support paid. She has been at it as a volunteer all those years and she made some good...she got some good things done through Legislature in helping the District Court figure out how to make the payments through the District Court, and so on, so that it wouldn't be up to the person always. But...and it's true that the records aren't up to date. When Lancaster County ran the list a year or two ago, whenever it was, one man's name was on there whose child was grown. He had never missed a child support payment. He didn't owe any money because the child was gone and still his name was on there. So the system lacks some consistency or something, I'm not sure, but I think everybody is working very hard to bring the system up to speed so that kind of thing doesn't happen and so the money is collected in a timely way and remitted. I was interested in one number that was passed around here that a child under five years old costs \$8,000 a year to take care of and some of the arguments on the \$71, that sort of blows your argument because \$71 times 12 is \$852 a year. So that takes care of that. But I do have one quick question, Senator Day, and maybe you don't know. I am trying out find out again because when we talked about welfare last year, the ADC money, and I see a lot of these young women who aren't married aren't getting any child support so that...but it is part of the puzzle if someone is married and then she's going to get child support that...but if she goes on, if she is on welfare, does not DSS just give her a certain part of that money?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Day.

SENATOR CROSBY: Am I right?