

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

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, our constitution is a document which must be taken seriously, and whether others take it seriously or not I will. In Article I of the Nebraska Constitution we encounter what has been labeled "The Bill of Rights". In Section 3 we have these words, "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law". Life and liberty precede property even in the listing of these three times, so how can the one at the tail end be made the head? I'll tell you why this is being done, because some of these groups that want to be able to pollute have cooped some of these farm organizations, not all of them, and gotten them to do the dirty work. Senator Jones cannot give us a single example. If this is something that was hurting farmers in Nebraska, he could roll off those examples, he could print them up, give us individuals, dates, occurrences and specific enactments of rules or regulations that have caused the problem that he is talking about, but he doesn't have them. The only use that has been put to the...that has been made of these type of propositions is by large companies that want to be able to pollute and they, in fact, these large companies, have done things that are hurtful to the farmers. But Senator Jones, by his approach, is giving the impression that farmers are not too bright, that they cannot understand when they are being snookered and tricked and misused. I'm going to pursue this and put things into the record, so this is one of those times that usually occurs earlier in the session when everybody can leave, they can go to their offices, they can read, they can sleep, they can eat, they can do anything they want to because this morning is mine and I intend to have a little dialogue with the citizens of Nebraska who watch us while we engage in our activities. And perhaps it can be shown that this matter is important enough to be given better consideration than we've given it to date. To alert Senator Jones and others to another amendment I'm going to offer, I want to go to a provision relative to inflicting the punishment of death as it's written in the statutes. Life, liberty and property, they cannot be taken away without due process of law. Due process of law is based, not just on the constitution but what is written into the law. Here is what is written in Section 29-2532 and it is not followed when executions are carried out in this state. "The mode of inflicting the punishment of death in all cases shall be by causing to pass through the body of the convicted person a