

current of electricity of sufficient intensity to cause death and the application of such current shall be continued until such convicted person is dead." When they electrocuted "Willi" Otey they did not continue the application of that electrical current until he was dead because it would have been too difficult, some say, for those who were watching it. So rather than continuing the application, they interrupted it, they interrupted it.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then they reapplied it several times and in doing it they engaged in one of the most barbaric displays that could occur. There were reporters, at least one or two, who did describe what had happened. But they had a jackleg executioner and because a doctor could not be involved, they wanted to apply and apply it to make sure that in their lay person's judgment the man had been cooked to death. No doctor could apply a stethoscope along the way and say, yeah, he's dead now. So it's like when kids will pull the wings off a butterfly, stick pins in the eye, separate the body into different segments and then finally smash it with a hammer to make sure it's dead, that's what your state is doing. And I'm going to add a provision, Senator Jones, that ensures that when the state does take a life, it takes it in accord with what the statute says and does not let some functionary at the penitentiary intercede and change what the law says.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all, I rise in support of the Senator Chambers' amendment as well as Senator Chambers' concern with the takings bill and his commitment to seeing that at least another eight hours will be spent on this particular bill and then another eight hours in the Final Reading. I think all of that could be avoided and it could save a lot of us a whole lot of time particularly when at most I frequently hear it said that this bill isn't going to do anything anyway and that the problem for which it was introduced was a federal problem that isn't going to be addressed at the state level. I think that would be common sense and that we would do what Senator Jones is intending to do with the resolution would be as the...on the road handout that Senator Jones states, a need for common sense. I would submit that if