

support of the bracket motion and, obviously, I do that somewhat reluctantly because I think that when we started out this session the intent was that we would have the opportunity to bring to a vote and pass an omnibus crime bill this year, but I don't think that's going to occur. There are a number of issues yet to be discussed and I doubt that there is time to adequately give appropriate consideration to the various subjects that individual senators would like to have addressed. And as a result, it's, to parlay a little bit on what Senator Fisher has indicated, yes, sometimes it is difficult to swallow and indicate that things maybe haven't worked out the way that you hoped and take a different course of action. But I think that this is a point relative to the discussion on the crime bill that it would be in fairness to all that we bracket and give it another shot next year. Thank you, Madam President.

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

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Fisher, we had a bill the other day, LB 658, that dealt with guns. Anyway, the federal government wanted us to do something about schools and we put the bill off. And now a bill has been drafted, a change. All those who said they would participate in some way did participate. The only reason it was passed over today was because the final form could not be drafted. And I had said in the beginning, I don't like the bill and I'm going to vote against it but I added my little bit to it, as I said that I would, and it was incorporated into the bill. So many times when people do have an interest in something, something can be done. On many occasions, it takes a lot of discussion before enough members will listen to what the issues are to make them see that there is genuinely a problem with the bill. I personally have seen that happen on numerous occasions when I have caused the debate to be extended. That's what a part of legislating is. There still would be time for us to do something with this bill. And what I had wanted to do earlier in the day, and if you need confirmation, Senator Beutler could give it to you, why don't we pass over this long enough for us to get the people together who have an interest, show the areas where there are serious problems with the bill. Like on good time, neither Senator Beutler nor I wanted to strip all that out of the bill. But to try to, if you're going to do it, draft it in such a way that it doesn't create a fertile field for lawsuits while not achieving what they claim the purpose is. If you read that language, and I have to be frank