

it to the ones supporting the bill, how could a woman not know the nature of this act, and they mentioned a lack of mental capacity so that the woman would not understand the act any more than a very small or young child would not understand the nature of the act. So even though some of these provisions may be difficult to grasp when you first read it, if you analyze it and evaluate it, you will see that there is a rational basis for each one of these propositions. Oh, but by the way I want you to vote for my amendment while we're at it.

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

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Madam President. I also, this is the first time I've spoken on this bill and I'm not speaking to the amendment but I guess since we don't have to speak to the amendment I will speak to the bill also. I am rising because I'm a little tired of sitting too, so I'm rising to speak on this bill and I think that a new voice might be a little refreshing now and then. If you do remember, I did not vote this bill out of committee of the Legislative Exec Board, at our last meeting, and, Senator Lindsay, I don't know if you're here, but when was that last Exec Board meeting? I don't remember when it was, but I did not vote to put it out of committee because in my very exact words I said we do not have time to do the crime bill this year. We do not have time to do this big crime bill this year. And all this talk tonight about our constituents and answering to our constituents about this ominous crime bill of 1995, I did not get one letter or one phone call from my district about the crime bill. A judge last year at a social event, a judge last year came up to me and asked me about the crime bill last year. He wanted to know what we were going to do about that and he said that with this judges' discretionary bill that they had now, he said we don't really need a crime bill. This is the best crime bill that we have now and then that was something that we did accidentally several years ago. I think about two or three years ago we accidentally passed that and he said that was the best thing that ever happened to judges and we really don't need a crime bill any more. We talked about that a little bit. I did have the occasion this year to go to the annual Crime Stoppers luncheon this year. That was kind of interesting. Attorney General Don Stenberg was the guest speaker and he spent his entire speech talking about this crime bill, and he urged all those present to talk to their Senator to advance the bill out of committee and vote this big crime bill into law. Of course,