

described the way I was discussing this matter, how when you put in a statute describing one offense the possibility of this criminal offense being performed intentionally and negligently is unconstitutional. I'm giving you a copy of a recent decision from the appellate court showing you the same thing. How did such a piece of trite emerge from the Judiciary Committee? Why was it introduced in that form in the first place? Why is the Legislature willing to enact such trite into law if somebody like me doesn't stand up and say, stop, don't do it?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: It probably would have been better to let some of these unconstitutional provisions remain in the law. And I think there are unconstitutional provisions. One of them, which they're attempting to take out, doesn't matter to me if they don't take it out because it's unconstitutional. So this being an amendment to an amendment and not amenable to amended amendment itself, I'm going to ask the Chair...I'm going to ask the Chair for a division of the question on this amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers, how do you wish to divide the amendment?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If I can get with the offerers of this amendment, we can work...we can come up there and show which parts can stand alone and if there are some that can be taken together.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Please come forward, Senator Chambers. In the meantime, Senator Crosby, your light is next.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam President, and members, since you're going to be working here and trying to get the thing divided, I will just voice my concerns about this amendment. And I have talked to Senator Beutler and one of the things that Senator Lindsay was quoted as saying that he was getting...that the senators were getting lots of telephone calls about the crime bill. I haven't had any telephone calls about the crime bill. I've had lots of phone calls about the cuts in the budget that the...vetoes that the Governor made about...on mental health. I've had a lot of calls about that because there are a lot of people who are very concerned about mental health and about Beatrice State Developmental Center. That's the calls I'm getting. But the second thing, our public defender in Lancaster