

prime reason that most things that are ridiculous don't get through the Legislature primarily in a lot of instances, not solely because of him, but he certainly takes an active part in those processes. And I think there will always be someone like Senator Chambers serving in the Nebraska Unicameral. So that argument as to why we shouldn't take another look on how we restructure government, to me, the individual that expressed this is one of the better examples as to why that argument shouldn't hold forth. You know along that same line, in one of the newspapers in my district, this weekend, January 26th, in the Fairbury Journal, there was a special editorial by Richard F. Proud, a former Speaker of the Nebraska Legislature, that has a number of things in it I agree with, like most editorials, but a number of things that trouble me, because here is another individual that was a part of the Unicameral, was elected the Speaker of the Unicameral, I don't know how old he is, I assume he served when it was in the Unicameral, that has a great deal of concerns relative to special interests, and really was not very flowering as to whether or not the Legislature can do its work. And I guess part of that ties into a little bit of what we're discussing now, as to whether or not the people have faith in the Legislature to do the important things that we need to do. I guess it's my naivete that probably prevents me from looking at things with more wide open eyes as to wonder why the Legislature can't be trusted with these types of important decisions. So, I guess that's how I'll start off the week, Madam President. Thank you.

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

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I didn't get to hear what Senator Maurstad said. But his tone of voice was so respectful that all I can believe is that he was agreeing with me, and I wanted to thank him for his well considered, intelligent words. However, if he disagreed with me, I say he's learning statecraft very well because he knows that the tone of voice will often carry him through and the words he utters will not. I want to make it clear that when I was talking about my experience, bad as it was with Sprint and my insisting on a hearing, it wasn't because the PSC was unwilling to work with me, they were very cooperative. They pointed out that there were not steps along the way that they could take to punish Sprint in reality. The only thing they