

didn't do like the guy and go stick my head out the window and say, I'm as mad as blazes and I can't take it anymore. That's not my style. I say it like that on the floor. But look at this, you're not talking just about one area where you're dealing with people that you hate, namely people who have been convicted of crimes and sentenced to be locked up. You're talking about all of the political subdivisions that can levy a tax. You want to put them in a crisis situation. You feel that unless that is done there will not be a serious reevaluation of all the issues involved in levying taxes. So now you are embracing the very thing that you repudiated the other day. I am concerned about prisoners. I am very distressed about the attitude that the legislators have when it comes to locking people up. When you take a person's freedom, that is the punishment. They are not sent to prison to be punished by the way they're treated there. Depriving them of their freedom is the punishment. And my feeling is that as long as the Legislature can so cavalierly appropriate money to build prisons it is absolutely and positively hypocritical for all those who support this legislation and say you ought to put...create a crisis situation for the political subdivisions to make them think about what they're doing. You don't think about what you're doing because you don't care. You're hardhearted, you're unfeeling and you are grossly hypocritical. You are very dishonest and I want that as a matter of record because this whole thing of talking about property tax is a sham and a hoax. The Legislature is not about to do anything other than play a game with smoke and mirrors. You talk one thing out of one side of your mouth, then you talk the opposite out of the other side of your mouth. The term "hypocrite" had to do with wearing a mask. You hide what you are, and I want to expose you for what you are and I mean every word that I'm saying. I mean every word that I'm saying because I've listened to you. You have infuriated me by the gross, unmitigated hypocrisy of what you're talking about here. You're going to make the political subdivisions think about what they're doing when they're levying taxes 'cause they do it too easily, too thoughtlessly, and don't reckon up the consequences. Then here you are throwing away three and a half million dollars just to lock people up without knowing whether it's going to do any good and knowing that it's not going to solve the problem you're supposed to be addressing, which is prison overcrowding. You all don't have the attention span to think from what happened yesterday to what's happening today, but I can think that far. I can retain it in my memory,