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people incarcerated in our institutions for first degree murder. Only 10 of them are under sentence of death; same offense, different sentence. We have inmates who are serving terms for first degree murder, multiple murders, 31 inmates, 4 on death row. We have 76 inmates in prison for first degree murder and other nonmurder offenses, 5 on death row. We have 58 inmates serving sentences for first degree murder, a single murder, and no other offense, 58, 1 on death row. Now this body, in 1978, arrived at some findings that are a matter of law and you can find them in your statutes at 29-2521.01. I'd like to read a few. These are the legislative findings of this body as it shall apply to the administration of justice for all people in this state. Life is the most valuable possession of a human being, and before taking it the state shall apply and follow the most scrupulous standards of fairness and uniformity. State law should be applied uniformly throughout the state. And since the death penalty is a statewide law, an offense which could not result in a death sentence in one portion of the state, should not result in death in a different portion. Another finding of this body, a matter of law: Charges resulting from the same or similar circumstances having in the past not been uniform and have produced radically different results, and in order to compensate for the lack of uniformity in charges which are filed as a result of similar circumstances, it is necessary for the Supreme Court to review and analyze all criminal homicides committed under the existing law in order to ensure that each case produces a result similar to that arrived at in other cases with the same or similar circumstances. That is the law...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...of the state of Nebraska. In 1979, the court, our Nebraska Supreme Court began a series of decisions in which it dealt with that, the law, the findings and the law of this state as to how capital punishment would be administered justly. Most recently, last year, in November our Nebraska Supreme Court, which you all recognize has been somewhat newly constituted or formulated, in State v. Lotter, came back to the issues presented by these standards. And in this portion...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time. Senator Brashear, you're recognized to open on the committee amendments. (AM0785, Legislative