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Perhaps, if the state of Colorado had Tom Osborne and his Teammates program, this trench coat Mafia doesn't exit. These at-risk kids have help early.

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR BRUNING: So, Senator Chambers, I want you to know that I want to support programs that help kids that are at risk early, before they are in our prisons. I want the people of this state to know that. For me it's not about the death penalty only. There are way...hopefully, we can prevent the death penalty from ever having to be used again, because we can find these at-risk kids early on. The bottom line with this amendment that I propose to you today is it takes away the moratorium. It doesn't start to walk us down the path of appealing...of repealing the death penalty. In some cases, I believe it's warranted, and several of you have said you believe its warranted. The moratorium won't accomplish anything other than to save eight white people who are currently on death row. The study is not going to show that they've been discriminated against.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Bruning. Senator Brashear, on the Bruning amendment.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Madam Chair, members of the body. I rise in continuing opposition to the Bruning amendment. A couple simple thoughts for you to begin; one, I want to expressly disavow that justice has anything to do with retribution, and I hope that nearly every member of the body would agree that justice does require us and our laws to rise above ourselves and our worst instincts and that justice..and that retribution is not a factor in justice. The second fairly simply thought I would like to share with you is that I completely agree that life is not fair, as the world, as the secular world defines fairness. But I do want to respectfully suggest that justice is about the pursuit of fairness and I, for one, never want to be a part of not pursuing perfect fairness as a part of justice while I'm fulfilling my duty and my responsibility to the citizens I represent and to the citizens of this great state who elect us, who send us here, for whom we take an oath of office to uphold the law. I would also like to