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victim. Every parent in Littleton, Colorado, who lost a student yesterday, a child, is a victim. Our friends are victims. Do you think those young people that witnessed that are going to be scared for the rest of their life? Some of them most certainly will be. Senator...or Governor Johanns, at a meeting that the Lancaster senators hosted this week, was asked, do you favor the repeal of the death penalty? Governor Johanns, and I hope I'm quoting him correctly, I'm just trying to paraphrase him, he said that that decision, the death penalty decision, is reviewed and reviewed and reviewed, and then the reviewers are reviewed. Well, now what is being reviewed? I would hope that the circumstances, both the aggravating and the mitigating circumstances, are what are being reviewed. How is the moratorium going to help all that? A penalty of life in prison versus the death penalty is the result of a combination of things, including the skills of the prosecuting attorney, the defense attorney, the experiences of the jury, because, after all, they are human, and the judge's experience. Even after this study is done, it still will be up to those who are in the court system to mete out the punishment, and those people are still human. And if they disregard that study and what it might show, then what have we gained? These are my thoughts on this issue. Some of us have been accused of basing our decisions on this topic on no logic, or without facts, or on simplistic ideas, or just rambling, but they are our opinions. And, even though we don't all agree with the people who want this bill, they are still our opinions and we are entitled to them. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Hudkins. Further discussion, Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: I respectfully call the question.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: There having been sufficient debate, do I see five hands? I see five hands. The question is, shall debate cease? Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Debate is ceased. Senator Chambers, you're