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And I said I agreed that perhaps we should study it, to make sure that it is done correctly. Is it possible, theoretically possible that the study could be done independent of a moratorium?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, not with what is envisioned by this bill.

SENATOR BRUNING: How...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And here's what I mean by that, you could ask me, if you take the wheels off a vehicle...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Thank you, Senator Bruning, Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, thank you, members of the body. Whether the characterizations are pretty or not, I intend to continue them. Everything that I read before was right out of the laws of the state of Nebraska. We can obfuscate, and I mean that as a pejorative, all we want to, we can try and make this about revenge or about repeal, or about our blood lust or anything else, and that's not what it's about. It is about the fact that, yes, we constantly refer to this interim study, and I'll discuss that at another point. In the course of my service with you, in a position you put me in, the fact that we had 165 first degree murderers in prison, only 10 of whom had been sentenced to death, did come to my attention, and so did the statutes which I shared with you, which some of you participated in enacting and we are all bound by. And while I have no doubt, drawing upon my political background, that the people of Nebraska support capital punishment, I will tell you one of the exciting aspects of this session for me has been the ability of people to differentiate, as they called me, to discuss what I was participating in here, their ability as citizens. Sometimes we don't give them enough credit. Sometimes we don't rise to their level in our service of them. They are surprisingly, refreshingly, wonderfully able to understand the concept of justice, fairness, equality, due process, and doing things with decency and in good order. And I really...I have no doubt, I'm simply engaging in this debate as I think is my obligation, given the fact we're at the second round of debate and it is being challenged. I have not lost sight that 26 of you affirmed