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think about felony murder, think about first degree murder. Why are people arguing against what's proposed here? I suggest respectfully, and I understand it, they're arguing against it because it is easier for prosecutors to obtain convictions using the felony murder rule than charging with first degree murder. I understand. They're doing their duty as they see it. They don't want to give up that easier, lesser burden of proof. But we're missing something in this whole debate. Focus on first degree murder. Currently, if a person is convicted of first degree murder, felony murder or intentional manslaughter, intentional premeditated murder, that individual faces three possibilities, death, life imprisonment with the possibility of parole, and we've heard the politicians go on and on and on about people getting out of prison too easily and too early. Haven't we? We've heard the politicians go on and on and on about people getting out of prison too early and too easily, and that's one of the options for anybody in the state of Nebraska today convicted of first degree murder, felony murder or intentional premeditated murder. There's also the possibility of life without possibility of parole. The amendment to the amendment, and AM2074, if adopted by you, would reduce from three to two the options for a first degree murderer, capital punishment, death, or life imprisonment without possibility of parole. That's an improvement in our criminal code, just like it's an improvement to add to felony murder the sexual assault of a child, felony child abuse, and first degree false imprisonment. I urge you to...I know we're doing a balancing test here, I know we're...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...making judgments. I urge you to consider the benefits to be obtained for the administration of justice in the state of Nebraska. I urge the adoption of the amendment to the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Matzke.

SENATOR MATZKE: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I'll be honest with you at the outset. I disagree with what Senator Brashear says almost 100 percent. What he is saying in