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field at...after dark, and you weren't able to have quality, equal time. And there aren't any of the custody situations that are perfect. But probably the best ones that I've had in my limited experience, more limited than other lawyer members of the body, the best ones are where everybody agreed. And, believe it or not, you never hear about it, but there are situations where people who have parted can agree. And, Senator Redfield, to inject the comment, that's why the words "by agreement" are taken out. If the body decides to make the public policy change that we are going to, in a more modern era, in a new period of time, in the new economy where sometimes people work all night, don't work during the day, sometimes work from home by remote commuting, sometimes do all kinds of things that aren't the normal, usual, traditional 8:00 to 5:00, male works, wife stays home, those kinds of things. If you make it subject to agreement, then you've done what often happens in the less desirable divorce situation or in the worst kind, and that is you've given somebody the hammer. And the discussion begins, I won't agree to joint custody, which you very much want, unless you give me this, unless you give me that. That's been going on before, it will go on now. We won't have effectively done what Senator Crosby's bill seeks to do, and that is to say if, if only and always it is in the best interests of the child, we want the court to first consider joint custody. We've been trusting courts with considering the best interests of the child all along, but we have not made it our public policy to make the first choice joint custody, and a lot of jurisdictions do. A lot of jurisdictions have presumptive joint custody. And certainly it doesn't always work, just like I'm going to suggest to you the same old way we've been doing it forever isn't that pretty out there in lots of circumstances either. Senator Crosby, as people have said on the floor, and as Senator Redfield said, Senator Crosby has brought this bill with the best of intentions. It has the possibility of giving us...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: A minute, one minute.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: ...a new direction. It will not always work. We have done the committee amendment so that, if you adopt, I'm going to suggest to you again, this seems to be my theme for the session (laugh), if you're going to adopt the bill, whether you're going to adopt the bill or not, I think you want the