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back to business as usual.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, you're recognized to close on your motion to reconsider the bracket motion to LB 175.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, the motion to bracket was one that I knew would not go anywhere, we all knew it would not go anywhere, and maybe none of these other motions will. But I intend not to go anywhere either. I intend to go on and on and on. When this motion is voted down, I have one that will deal directly with the committee amendment, the division of the committee amendment which we're on. That would be on page 3, in lines 5 and 14, where the committee amendment would strike from the bill the words "one thousand" and substitute the words "five hundred". That area will be my next realm of discussion. But I want to say something that I intended to say the other day when Senator Landis was talking about a baby bonding with the mother and Senator Brown thought that that wasn't necessarily so, that it could be anybody. And I might be misrepresenting her position. But it was interesting, because Senator Landis pointed out that the baby is going to bond with the one who comes when there is crying, feeds when there is hunger, comforts when there is distress, and maybe helps soothe the baby when the baby needs to go to sleep. There are interesting things that have been determined by scientists through experiments, one of them dealt with aggression. There was a guy named Konrad Lorenz, K-o-n-r-a-d L-o-r-e-n-z, who wrote a book called "On Aggression". And Senator Landis' discussion made me think of one of the experiments. It had to do with a mother hen protecting her chicks. When anything approached that was a threat, the aggression would come out in the mother and she would attack anything that was threatening. So in trying to figure why the hen would attack anything that came near, but not her own chicks, different things were done. They wondered if it was by sight that the hen recognized a threat, if it was by smell or just how? So the first thing they did was blinded the hen. And when the chicks would do their cheeping, or however you pronounce what it is they do, the mother hen was not aggressive toward them at all. So the next hen they took they deafened. And when they deafened the hen, when the chicks moved