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items that need to be given detailed consideration, not only from the standpoint of the cost, but policy changes are going to be made. I'd like to ask Senator Brashear a question, if I may, about the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brashear, would you yield?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Mr. President.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Brashear, have you had the opportunity to review Senator Thompson's pending amendment to determine which parts or aspects of the committee amendments would be incorporated into this one?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I have. We have.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If a point is reached where I would seek a division of the question, and I believe it can be divided, would you be willing to work along also so that we'd be sure...and obviously Senator Thompson will be involved, since you did work with the committee amendments, to make sure that we do get freestanding items in each division and not have overlap, so that when we do begin that discussion we won't have procedural problems with something being included in, say, division two that is really a part of division one?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, sir, I would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I don't really know how I'm going to vote on various aspects of this bill or the final product, but a troubling trend to me is the fact that county attorneys, for political reasons I believe, and it's sweeping the country, are treating more and more juveniles as adults for the purpose of prosecution and punishment. I have frequently pointed out that if an adult is charged with an offense, a defense of diminished capacity can be offered, or one that would even try to do away with culpability, by showing that the adult lacked the mental development to form the requisite intent to commit a certain act, and they might say this adult is 30, 40, 50 years old, but has the mentality of a 14-year-old child. So the adult, with all these years of experience, nevertheless is given a break because he or she has