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this world human being. When the children come into this world, we talk about building more prisons for them, harsher punishments in school, drugging them in the schools with Ritalin and all of these things that set a line between the children and the adults that signifies the existence of a war, and adults in this society are terrified of their children and they want somebody else to deal with them, hopefully somebody who will be mean and rough. That's why they want these boot camps--to be mean to these children that they cannot handle. They want these harsh punishments because the child is a conscience to those adults, and every time they look at the child they feel condemned in themselves because they have wronged the child. So, rather than accept their responsibility and correct it, they want the child punished for what the child is not responsible for. Our children are what we make them. They didn't make us. They didn't choose to come into this world and, if they had a choice, we may not be the parents they would select. So I'm going to listen today and I may be sympathetic to what's being done and I may not, but some of these things that I'm talking about will be in my mind as I listen to these proposals. The only thing the county wants to avoid doing is spend money. There's nothing in here that says stop prosecuting these children as adults, is there? Nothing that refers to these judges who will let these children be prosecuted as adults, is there? But there is something that says the county wants to prosecute them as adults, convict them as adults, have them punished as adults, but we don't want to pay the money. So it's a money thing that this bill is dealing with and I'm going to listen and I'm going to form judgments and I will chart my course appropriately therefrom.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Brashear, you're recognized to close on the committee amendments to LB 652.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, I...I have been distracted by something else, but I think this is the point at which I urge a vote against the amendment, committee amendments, in order that we can get to essentially the same thing substantively. I'm not precluding the following debate on Senator Thompson's amendment, so I would urge the committee amendments be declined. Thank you.