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the police. When a child knows that his or her parents are taking that child to church or some other innocuous place and the police stop that family and humiliate and disrespect the parents in front of that child, that has an impact on that child, not only toward the police but toward his or her parents. The parents are going to take that from these people? You hate the people who did it to your parents and you lose a little respect for your parents. This society has a thousand ways to dehumanize black people and all of this is a part of it, but white people don't want to look at it all together. They say, well, all we're talking about is LB 1217; all we're talking about is a Wilderness Camp; all this other stuff is irrelevant. Yes, irrelevant to them because the only thing they want to do is find another place to lock our children away. That's all they're interested in. But if it...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...was their children, then we see all these bills on education, all this talk about what kind of tests are to be given and the other host of things that let us know the difference in attitude toward children and people based strictly on race, ethnicity or language.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. For discussion on the Chambers amendment, Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members. The more debate that I listen to regarding this Wilderness Camp some...the more concerned I become about it. First of all, I certainly think that this would deserve a hearing and go through the regular process. There's enough questions here. For example, if we were to close Kearney right now and build a new one, would we...and it was an out-of-state organization that we really don't have any track record with, would we do it? Well, absolutely not, but yet we're willing to have that leap of faith to have this organization come into Nebraska without a hearing and without the dialogue that I think that is needed to establish this camp. It has been...come to my attention that some of these statewide organizations, like Lutheran Family Services and boil...boys and girls home, had asked to meet with Brown School in order to discuss aftercare issues and so forth