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how these things happen, what the relationship between this body and the University of Nebraska ought to be, where we're going with this research, what it means for the future. I think we need an informed public. We need to do the job and the process begins now. And I want to suggest exactly, so there's no misunderstanding, where I'm going. Sometimes you act when there's a convergence of circumstance that make it possible for you to act. And the reason I believe this bill ought to come to committee (sic) and we all ought to still continue to work together to approach the entirety of this subject correctly is because all of these facts and circumstances are converging. There was...not once in all these reports to us is the word "fetal tissue" used, not once. Again I say, I don't think we want to be managed. I don't think we want to be fooled. I think we want to understand clearly and communicate clearly with the people of Nebraska what we're doing, why we're doing it, the ethics we're applying to it, what our understanding is and seek their approval or disapproval of us as public servants. I urge the debate now and discussion of this issue, and I urge pulling the bill from committee in order that we can go on forging our approach to this problem. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Dwite Pedersen.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: I'd give my time to Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: No (inaudible.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the body, I agree with everything Senator Brashear has said, up to this point, and I know he will have more to say later. I got to give you...have to give you a little bit of history on this as far as I'm concerned. On December 2 I received a call from the World-Herald, and asked me my opinion on this, when it came out the day before. And I told them. Of course the only thing that showed up in the paper, and they didn't say anything I didn't say, I'm sure they just didn't have room to say everything because of all the comments, they said I did not want to stop all research at the University Medical Center, and I don't. But