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people once we do identify a problem with them. Instead of putting them in jail forever, maybe we should have them in rehabilitation programs for a period of time. So it's curious to me, at the same time that we're trying to deal with these incredible corrections expenses, we still think the answer to everything is to increase the penalties. This is one of the most disgusting areas, but, still, there is the argument of fairness in terms of that principle of proportionality. Now, if you want to make this a Class IV felony then, in order to restructure the law properly, you should go and make the actual distribution a Class III felony, and then you should go and make the most serious child porn offenses a Class II felony, and for subsequent offenses a Class I felony. So with a Class I felony, you're getting up to penalties of 50 years imprisonment and maybe that's what we want to do, but I would caution you about thinking that the increasing of these penalties is going to be the solution to the problem, nor is it...nor is it good law to let everything get out of proportion. Back in 1977, Senator Luedtke ended up rewriting the entire criminal code in Nebraska because this is one of the cycles we go through. We put into place these laws, one at a time. We don't look at proportionality and we don't look at a number of other things that are important in the criminal law structure, and then all of a sudden one year we discover that they're a mess, that everything is disproportional, that people committing lesser offenses are being punished equally or more harshly than people committing greater offenses, and we then rewrite the entire criminal code and we correct it all and everybody kind of sits quietly and lets it be corrected. Then the very next year we start into the same kind of process again.

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: All I'm suggesting in this particular case is that maybe we want to keep this proportional. Now, whether we want to go in and increase the most serious offenses to a Class I felony, that's what we would need to do if we're going to keep all of this proportional and keep a Class IV felony for the lowest act, which is the mere possession of one of these types of pornography. There was a time back when I was first in the Legislature that possession of marijuana was to be a big