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more rural state to a more urban state, and most of the people who live in Lincoln and Omaha are one generation away from having an uncle or somebody that lives in a rural area or on the farm, but as those demographics change, then I think some of the attitudes have the potential to change. I'm not saying they will because there's a lot of people in Omaha and Lincoln who enjoy the hunting and fishing activities that we have in the state and certainly go to Lake McConaughy, Harlan County Reservoir, they're active on the open day of pheasant season, the opening day of deer season. And so I'm not as concerned about that as some may think.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Members of the Legislature, every argument that has been given to try to justify doing this has been run to earth. In the early days, Senator Schrock was concerned about the Legislature. The transcripts will demonstrate that and there have been news reports. I'm not condemning that or his moving to a different position. He wants to offer what he feels to be the strongest argument to persuade the Legislature. But none of the arguments is strong enough to justify this being done. They might give him cloture today. I think it would be a grave mistake for a number of reasons...

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...which I shall not detail here. We will just have to see how things proceed from this point onward if they proceed at all. This is not worth, when I say "this" I mean LR 8CA, is not worth the amount of time that has been expended on it other than the fact that an attempt is being made by myself and some other senators to protect the integrity and dignity of the Nebraska Constitution. I have conceded that it contains clutter already and it ought to be purged. But I've also emphasized we do not improve that document by adding additional clutter. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a priority motion. Senator Schrock would move to invoke cloture, pursuant to Rule 7,