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SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that has always been there. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers and Senator Janssen. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Jensen.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. With great reluctance, I stand to speak on this issue because I'm truly, truly conflicted over what to do here. I think there may be others on the floor, although the ones we've heard from so far sound pretty, pretty determined about the direction that they are going to take when it comes to voting on this bill. I am considering the reconsideration motion, but I need to say, first of all, that I did support the Chambers amendment. And when I got up to support it, I said that I supported it because...oh, I just said I was supporting it because Senator Chambers introduced it, and went on to other issues in the bill and never explained really truly about my support for the amendment. I trust Senator Chambers knows his district. I have great respect for Senator Chambers. I do feel that he cares about the children in his district. I also have respect for the Education Committee Chair, Senator Raikes, and I think that he also cares about the education of children in our state. But nevertheless, it went against everything that I ever thought I believed about Brown v. Education, (sic) and it's something that I believed all my adult life, felt strongly about, and felt that, at the time, Omaha Public Schools was making a terrible mistake by doing away with bussing. They were on a path that was starting to provide more integration into the school system, and then all of a sudden they were abandoning that, and it will never be reinstituted. There's no way. Now, I didn't exactly understand from Senator Chambers' remarks whether he felt that bussing was a good way to achieve integration or not. I think maybe he said not. But I guess where I'm coming down is I'm torn between the arguments that Senator Chambers makes and then the arguments that Senator Bourne makes and Senator Kruse. But then Senator Raikes gets back into the conversation and is about to convince me to go ahead and support the bill, which would mean with the Chambers amendment, most likely, unless there's a successful reconsideration motion. And according to Senator