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SPEAKER BRASHEAR: You haven't given up anything because you can deal with it on Select File however you want to deal with it. But that would give us additional time to see if we could bring the parties to a formal standstill arrangement that would then allow a group of us, and nobody is committed to this, this is just...they're committed to the process I'm laying out for tonight. We would then assemble a group of legislators who would continue to be the focus group of working to develop legislation that answers all of these issues, that deals with the tax increases that are involved in this bill as it's presently written, which I haven't heard anybody worrying about, all that sort of thing. We would avoid unintended consequences and we would seek to do a superb job for and on behalf of the people. And we would do that for a 60-day period with one 30-day extension permissible by the parties. At the end of 90 days, if we haven't done it, then...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear, time. But you're next light, so you're recognized.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Thank you for your time and consideration. At the end of that 60- or 90-day period, you will either have a very well-developed plan which...and I've not consulted with any other branch of government. This is the branch that will decide this issue. This is our prerogative and we can control our destiny and the destiny of our children with regard to education. We can do great world-class things, but we have to do them carefully. My suggestion is that if we can come together through a process of meetings and work and facilitation so that we have a well-crafted plan, then, I'm sorry, but either the Governor anointed or the Governor lame duck or whatever, in my judgment--and that was just an attempt at a little humor--however it comes out, any Governor would be foolish to not respond to a group of legislators who say we want you to call a special session because we have developed something that is in the best interest of the people of the state of Nebraska and our children and our future and we want you to call us into special session because we're ready to pass it. And I don't think that's a bridge too far. I think we can do that and this