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Mr. President. Senator Brashear and I have worked together. Senator Brashear talked about using the power of one's office. Do you think when he went before the Accountability and Disclosure Commission his being Speaker of the Legislature did not follow him? He pointed out here today, and several other times, how he dislikes this whole area of the law. Senator Brashear brought me into this by mentioning me by name and talking about the senior, which I presume referred to me, manipulating the Attorney General's Office. Senator Brashear represented this scoundrel and worked out the deal, and he knows Hergert lied. He knows Hergert intentionally violated the law or he wouldn't have worked out this deal. He would have said these are accidents, and accidents carry no culpability. The deal that Senator Brashear worked out cannot exonerate Hergert. That deal and his admissions mark him as a liar, officially, on the record. Now Senator Brashear has been stung, and people react different ways when they've been stung. We all know this is a critical time in the session. He's under a lot of pressures and I take that into consideration, and I just attribute what he said with reference to me to be the outbursts of a person whose emotions ran away with him. So I'm going to take the high road and let him know that I understand and I won't take it personally, and any relationship that he and I had or that I thought we had remains as intact after his outburst as it was prior to that, if we indeed had a genuine relationship. I've never "cheap-shot" him on the floor, and I've told him I would never do that, and I mean it. But when somebody takes out after me in the way that he did, I go by what he said prior to doing it, that my silence could give consent. Senator Brashear knows what impeachment is about. He knows that if he had a member of his legal staff who lied and engaged in felonious conduct, he would fire that person. He knows that a lawyer will be disbarred for far less than what Regent Hergert has done. He knows that had a student regent plagiarized and not committed as many violations of the positive law as Hergert did, that student would be kicked off the Board of Regents. He knows that. We all know it. What is making it political is the things that are being said by Senator Bourne, Senator Brashear, Senator Jensen, and others who want to impugn not only the motives of the Legislature and the legislators, but the very authority given to the Legislature by the people of this state by way of the