

know, we can't come to an agreement on this. Even though a majority of people on this floor can come to an agreement on this, I hope the public does know that, we will never get an opportunity to vote on this piece of legislation. And I say it's because of the people that are elected here in the state of Nebraska. And if the people in the state of Nebraska want some changes like this bill here, for the people in the state of Nebraska, then you've got to elect some different people. And that's the problem that we're having. And I wanted to say that on the floor of the Legislature, even though it is political in nature, because I get asked the question all the time, why can't we get through some of this legislation? Why can't we get something like this through? Why can't we get some of the, you know, our crime bills in a courtroom situation? We actually got a bill through last year, and the only reason we got it through was because everybody knew it was going to end up in the court. You know, why does this always happen in Nebraska? And I tell people it's because of the people that you've elected into the Legislature. That's got to start...start sinking in out there. If you want something like this to pass, you have to get the people in here who have the capability and the majority vote, and the people that we can get on the Judiciary Committee, in the Omaha area, in order to get something like this to pass. So I guess I'm not surprised that the bracket motion's up here. And I'm still disappointed. I would still hope that people would vote against the bracket motion, that we would get an actual vote on Senator Maurstad's bill, even though I realize there's a lot of amendments on it and we'll never...we'll never get to the bill or we'll never get the time to get to the bill. I wanted the public to know that there are enough votes on this floor to pass something like this; it's just that we don't have the opportunity to do it; and just let you know that we would like to do something like this for the people in the state of Nebraska. I think it's a good compromise already, in its initial state, and I think it's something that the people in this state have asked for continually. And I wish we could give it to you. And I already see the writing on the wall that that won't be...we won't be able to accomplish that, but I want to thank Senator Maurstad for trying and I want to thank senators who are courageous enough to vote this bill out of committee, to at least have a discussion here on the floor on this subject so that the public does know that there are people here who are willing to do something like this. And I really...when is it going to dawn on them that, you know, Nebraska is the only state