

that many, many people claim that it has helped them. I have seen some of the results. It certainly looks to me like it has helped them, and even if it is only a psychological effect, I don't think we should deny these people the right in their last days especially of cancer which is the most dread disease that we have and I think any one of us, if we would hear that we possibly might have cancer and some of us have, would want to use any means at our disposal to fight this and to perhaps lengthen our time on earth. One of the greatest things that I have heard about it is that it seems to make the pain and the process of dying a lot easier if you have cancer, even if it doesn't cure you. I don't know how much time to spend. I think I could talk for an hour on the different people that I know that have used it and have apparently received some help or at least reduced their pain so that they were able to function. I am not going to fight with the American Medical Association. I can certainly see why they take the stand they do. Sometimes I don't quite understand all the things that they are trying to say and do but it would certainly look to me like we Senators and the Legislature of Nebraska should certainly give those people who wish to use this substance, and those doctors that wish to use it, and those hospitals that would tolerate it and would want to use it that they could. I know that the committee voted I think four to four, right down the middle, and this makes it rough. So we are attempting here this morning to bring it out onto the floor where we at least can discuss it. It has been up. It was up last year. We didn't get around to it. It has been talked about for a number of years and you have read the papers. You know a lot about it. You know that some people have gone to Mexico to get the treatment. I think this is ridiculous. If there is a grain of truth in what is said about it, we certainly should allow our people to use it. So I hope you will vote to bring LB 382 out to the full debate of the Legislature notwithstanding the stalemate that is in the committee. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan as Chairman of the committee that heard the....there will be no demonstrations from anyone in the balcony or anyone, please, during this debate. The Chair recognizes Senator Cullan as Chairman of the committee that heard the bill. Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise in opposition to this motion for many reasons. First of all, I would like to clarify the record. The bill intro-