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Attorney General's office on the same basis, and they were oral representations, Senator, there is nothing in writing.

SENATOR DUIS: Well, I thank you very much, but I'm sure concerned with having a change probably such as this at such a late date.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Well, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I am a little bit amused about having this change at this late date, and about this particular problem not having been discussed before because, in fact, the problem that Senator Hoagland is now addressing I addressed a week ago on this bill. I said, you know, I'm sitting here reading these amendments and gee, I see this particular issue on the nonparolable status of a mentally disordered sex offender who is committed to an institution, and it sure looks to me like it might be unconstitutional. Now I understand that there is a lot of sentiment on this body...or in the body to pass a sexual sociopath law and given that sentiment I was kind of swimming upstream. In fact, I think I got three votes all together to alter this particular concept. So it gives me some encouragement to find that the Attorney General likewise concludes that what is in the bill that I talked about a week ago is likely to be unconstitutional. Now as we all know, our treatment of sexual sociopaths in this state has been fraught with constitutional pitfalls. I mean, I think the Sexual Sociopath Law has been in the Nebraska Supreme Court at least twice and maybe three times, and I think it is now in the Federal District Court. I could be wrong on that, but...and virtually every time the court has either found the law unconstitutional in a particular, or on the alternative has had to construe the law in such a twisted tortured fashion as to render it constitutional. Now it seems to me if we've got a provision in here which our Attorney General is suggesting is unconstitutional and which I personally thought was unconstitutional...I took a look at it a week ago, that the best thing we can do is to take it out and make certain we at least have a law which has some chance of flying in court. So I wholeheartedly support the Hoagland amendment, and I think this body would want to do the same thing just so we have a good clean law.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes, do you wish to raise the Call?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes.