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are some positive comments. You have very powerful friends and you have very determined enemies, which is not all bad. I think that is a sign that you are doing something. I guess I wanted to comment on that because I was surprised that I am the only one that has been getting information and I am sure that it is not the case, that there are others receiving this kind of information. But I just wanted to make that comment before you got away to indicate that I have had both pro and con and I am surprised at the comments that I have heard today, which were basically to that point, supportive." Senator Venditte, that is not someone, the record does not indicate that that is someone that went out after Mr. Greenholtz. In fact, as I said before, I had not voted one way or the other on the Greenholtz appointment because it is a very difficult, difficult decision for me. I see both very commending arguments on Mr. Greenholtz appointment and also very condemning arguments on Mr. Greenholtz appointment. I think that those have been articulated on the floor today.

PRESIDENT: One minute Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator Venditte and members of the Legislature, this is an important issue. It is not a trivial issue, it is not an issue that should be emotional, it is an issue that ought to be looked at. We, as a Legislature, and the Committee on Committees, as a committee, have a responsibility to act responsibly, correctly and think through this issue. This is not an easy issue, it is not a simple issue. It should not be considered, you know, anything other than a very weighty decision that this Legislature should make. There are a number of people that feel that Mr. Greenholtz has been a leader, he has been strong and capable. There are others who feel that he has been dehumanizing and unfair. I think that that kind of controversy can naturally come around a person who has been in the penal system for 35 years. That may, in fact, be the core of the issue. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Chair would like to take this opportunity to introduce some guests of Senators Newell, Chambers and Fitzgerald, 33 seventh, eight and ninth grade students from McMillan Junior High School in Omaha with teacher Miss Card Sedlak and Principal, Dr. Dick Davis. They are up here in the north balcony. Would they stand and be recognized. Welcome to your legislature. We also have from Senator Schmit's district 14 seniors from Rising City High School with teacher Mr. Larry Aylor. They are up here too I think up in the north balcony. Would they stand and be recognized. Welcome to the Legislature. Chair recognizes Senator Burrows.