

resignation or not standing for retention of a current juvenile judge in Omaha. Do don't tell me there was not contention. Don't tell me there was not controversy. Don't tell me there was not anger. Even Senator Momen, who has not felt the need to speak a great deal this session, felt the need to comment on a position I was taking with reference to a proposed amendment to her bill, that because some judge was not doing as I thought should be done, that was no need to say we should not add another judge. I remember things that happen. Other people may lose track. But this is not the first time that an item which was not prioritized has been offered and, in fact, attached to another bill. Senator Crosby's bill now sits on Final Reading and I don't know one person who said that we ought to bring that bill back and strip out all of these other things because they were not prioritized and they led to controversy. What I have counseled ever since the start of the session is that we learn how not to let these things that come up get inside of us and eat us and cause us to lose all control. I express indignation. I express hostility, but I always know where I am. And I don't captain the ship but I'm always in control of the little part of the ship that I occupy and I know what I'm doing and I know what I'm saying and I don't have people in the lobby pulling strings on me and that's why I don't come off sounding like a jackass, because I know what it is I intend to do and I don't have to get instructions or take orders. I don't have to pretend to know an issue and try to read papers and figures and can't even read them coherently because it might be the first time I saw it or it's a subject with which I'm totally unfamiliar. I don't get up trying to talk about another country, I mispronounce the names of the people, I mispronounce the names of countries. I don't know the difference between a country and a tribe, I don't know any of these things, but I'm presenting myself as an authority on the issue. When people are showing that they are profoundly ignorant the thing to do is what Solomon said, answer not a fool according to his folly lest thou be likened to him. And I follow Solomon. Solomon was wise. When you find one who is wise, follow him or her when they have given advice that is appropriate to a situation. So I will not accept what Senator Withem said in terms of the problem being that a nonprioritized item is being attached to one that is prioritized and it is controversial. The MacBride Principles were added. There was an opportunity to discuss it. And if they make the pretense of saying that it's not germane when it deals with investment policy and that's precisely what 1066 deals with, an investment policy which no longer is to be the policy of the state, it is a