

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fincke's hypocrisy shows in death-penalty stance

To the editor:

The hypocrisy of lefties never ceases to amaze me. ("The death penalty is wrong," July 27 by Waring Fincke.)

So, let me get this straight: The death penalty for the worst of the worst felons is bad, but, aborting an innocent baby whose only crime is being inconvenient is OK. Somehow that doesn't make sense to me.

How can Fincke compare the two and how does he justify that in his own mind? To compare the life of an unborn child to a violent criminal is reprehensible to me.

As a nation of laws, there must be consequences for the actions one takes when deciding to break those laws. In some states, that includes the death penalty for the most heinous of crimes.

There must be some deterrent in our system so that the next perpetrator may think twice before committing such acts. To a lesser degree, we've seen what happens when there are no repercussions when laws are broken. Take, for instance, the "no pursuit" policy that Milwaukee had in place when carjacking was at an all-time high. The

criminals laughed at the police when trying to be stopped and sped away.

Then Fincke says that capital cases "cost several times more than any other cases." Since when is a liberal ever concerned about spending the taxpayers' money? They love throwing more and more money at programs that don't work.

If the courts don't stand up for the victims, who will? I think it's pretty sad that Fincke has no compassion for the victims of violent crimes; all he seems to care about are the perpetrators and their rights. They gave up any rights when they decided to commit the crime. It's about time we start focusing on getting justice for the victims.

Joel Jaster
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Septic fee just another tax, will rise

To the editor:

The private onsite wastewater treatment system charge is a tax by the county. No, we don't understand how many county employees and the number of other charges, so please enlighten us by showing the break-down by

staff on charges and what they were actually doing during the charges to the POWTS account. Sounds like POWTS is a dumping account by staff. A \$227,000 charge appears way out of line.

POWTS owners install, maintain and provide follow-up maintenance repairs to the system. This is not a free system. In addition, in Slinger POWTS owners pay an additional tax already for stormwater run-off into a marsh and fire protection service fees. Those charges increase continually and I can assure you that the POWTS tax will also increase annually, if passed.

Bruce Markert
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