

others and craft legislation to deal with it and that's what 330 is attempting to do. My concern goes to the reality also that police officers don't want to get involved in domestic situations. They're irritated when they get there and they are as likely to turn on the female who made the call as they are on the male. The way it goes now and from the testimony we have had, the man generally is told to leave the premises, if he's still there, and he can come back and inflict whatever damage he wants to inflict. And I hope the question won't be called if I don't get to finish what I'm saying on this first five minutes because there are some things I would like to get into the record. This bill would require the officer to answer the call. If there is an establishment that the order has been issued and this man is in violation of that order, the officer must arrest. The officer may not want to answer the call in the first place. He may not want to leave whatever he is doing to take this person into custody, downtown and before a judge and the other things that may be required. So he's not in a good mood and by the time he gets there maybe some of the heat has settled down, so, since the man is the reason he has got to be there and make an arrest, he walks in and collars him and begins to rough him up and the woman says, I called you to arrest him, not to beat him up. And the cop says, it's my job, you stay out of it. She says, I'm the one who called you. And he says, you say one more word and I will arrest you. And she says, it's my house, you can't arrest me. And he charges her with interfering with an officer, disturbing the peace and takes her to jail and these kinds of things have happened. I want it clearly in the record that the Legislature does not approve of that. I talked to Senator Pirsch and others who were in favor of this bill and they, obviously, do not approve of that and the purpose of the bill is not to facilitate or encourage that kind of police misconduct. But I want it clearly in the record that we also have agreed that we would observe the way this particular legislation is enforced. We will observe the way the police conduct themselves. If there develops an inordinate number of resisting arrest charges where violence has been inflicted by the police on either party, then there will be a review of that and special legislation crafted to deal with that kind of police misconduct should it develop as a result of this bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I talked to a representative of an association against domestic violence and she was mentioning