

defense. But the fact of the matter is that now you're placing into law a chemical test that nobody has been asked to take before, that you then say is refusal, basically, can be brought into court as...for evidentiary purposes. And more than likely,...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: ...unless you can come up with a darn good argument as to why you didn't take it, even though it's a new test, it's a chemical test as opposed to the breathalyzer, or the blood test, the urine test, and it is for chemicals, which, as Senator Kristensen presented it, is...has a totally different effect on an individual, one where they may pass a normal test but yet still be impaired, if that were the case. And in the case of an individual who was not impaired, it still would not show up on the standard test. You allow for, I guess, a lead pipe cinch case for the prosecuting attorney, for the county attorneys out there. They, basically, can save a lot of time and money by just...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR HALL: ...pointing to this statute. I would urge you to oppose Senator Kristensen's amendment, because it is a totally different issue and it is a totally different bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Warner, followed by Senators Beyer and Conway.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I'd rise to urge your support of Senator Kristensen's amendment. The rumor was, I suspect it wasn't a very casual rumor, it seems everybody I talked to knew about it, but the theory was that 799 is not going to go anywhere. It's got I don't know how many amendments filed up there, but many. You know, there is no way to toughen drunk driving laws. It's just simple, just is no way to do it. So all we're talking about now is saving at least what we've got, that's all we're talking about, saving what we have and a little bit more, to get drug impaired people off the road, too. You know, ask yourself what is wrong, what's wrong with getting people off the road who are impaired from drugs and driving. You know, we all tend, and I don't like to do this, because we all know people who were killed, drunk drivers, some of us have families that were. I think about my neighbor whose daughter