this state or any other state, and that what appears black may be white. I will prove also that my assets are all intact but that that law is totally defective, needs to be changed, and if you want an accountable law, accountability, we had better be writing something. That is all I ever said I was going to do. I have done it and now you all clamor about it. I make those guarantees to you and I make those guarantees with this as a background. year Senator Peter Hoagland and Senator Bill Barrett sponsored an accountability law correction to correct what they felt were defects in the current law. Since I felt the whole law was defective, their little corrections I felt weren't that much. Their bill failed with 12 votes. 12 votes, on Final Reading. It required 30 to raise it from the dead. They told me that it was a necessary correction. They confirmed it with Allen Beermann. made the motion to revive that bill. The only argument I offered in reviving it, if you will go back and check the record. was I stood at this microphone on this floor and I said, trust me the bill needs to be revived, needs to be passed even though I hate the whole doggone accountability thing the way it works, it needs to be done. was my total argument. You did trust me. You gave it 33 votes immediately without further debate, and I believe you did it because over the years whether I am for something or against something on this floor I have stood up and tried to give you the arguments on both sides, tried to tell you where I am coming from, and when I have bad tills and it happens even to the most noble of us. I have stood up on this floor on some of the most controversial bills I have ever had, and you all know it that are here, and I have said, this is a doggie bill I want your vote for it. I have never criticized you for voting against it on that or any other issue. So I have tried, and I think the record shows I have done it, to give you both sides and be accurate and that is why when I have said, trust me, in the past it usually worked. I am asking you one time here, trust me, I will prove to you the balance of that law has five times as many loopholes and flaws as what is currently there, and come Februar / I will show it to you in another little show that we will have for you. Now the final reason that I hear that I will probably so it goes lose is because Johnny needs to be punished because Johnny has committed the ultimate crime, and I want to talk about that a little. I acknowledge in advance that I have committed this crime and offense I am going to talk about next. I am guilty and if you want to vote against me on this one, by golly you go ahead, fellas. That offense is this. I have a friend in here. He was the best man at my wedding. He named my little girl. We tipped a toddy or two together. He fights me more on this floor than just