

amendment at this point. I don't know ultimately what I will do because I am going to try to get some more information, but what I am saying here I hope will be like a message to what I consider is a corrupt individual in Omaha.

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I know a lot of poor people, not only in the district where I live but other parts of Omaha who had their power cut off in the wintertime, even though that is not supposed to happen, and they are lying if they say they don't cut it off because people have called me and I have had to call Ford Jacobsen to get some things restored or Del Durham (phonetic), whichever one represents the power company. So I am going to support this amendment at this point for that reason alone, what Red Munnelly has done in Omaha in tricking his way to free service for a number of months.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler, do you want to talk?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the committee, I just want to...I want to oppose the amendment and I want to do it because we really are establishing a terrible precedent. Here we are with a criminal bill three times today we have attached or tried to attach amendments to it which have not had a public hearing and all three of them have made very substantive changes in the law. And what is happening to our committee system? Why haven't these people, and you should ask yourself this, why haven't they come in with these bills at the beginning of the year and asked for a change and gone through the regular process? It is not that they are such small matters that they are not worthy of a public hearing. They are all worthy of a public hearing. In no case has it been said that there is an emergency that exists now that has not existed or any different situation that has not existed in prior time. I suggest to you that we are abusing our process, that there is a wisdom to that process, and that we will ultimately suffer from ignoring the wisdom of that process, and we will suffer because this bill will be back to us, these things will be back to us in one form or another for amending or patching, next year or the year after. Let me tell you something else I think is happening in this state and where we just have to try to take a different tack a little bit more. We are coming in here time after time, and the county attorneys are apparently saying, well, this needs to be more specific to prosecute, that needs to be more specific to prosecute. Well, I will tell