

a photograph of that girl, 15 years old, naked from the waist up, the purchase of that magazine would be a 25-year felony. Now as I indicated, that is a complete departure from current Nebraska law which adopts community standards and community mores. If a film is marketed for commercial purposes in Nebraska which shows a group of 15-year olds looking through a peep hole, observing adult women undressing, that is not illegal. Under current law that kind of a commercial film, even if it were legal in the surrounding states, would be illegal in Nebraska. These are tough public policy decisions. We certainly, we surely need to protect our children from being the victims of child pornography, particularly those 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. But I just want to be sure the body understands the breadth of this rewrite because it is a significant bill and will significantly change practices, I assume, as well as the law in the State of Nebraska. With that, I would ask the adoption...the advancement of the bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Higgins, would you like to close, please, on the advancement of the bill.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Just very briefly. Thank you, Mr. President. A 15-year-old boy in a movie, observing someone having sexual intercourse, according to Senator Hoagland's simulated sexual intercourse, we are to assume then that in pornographic movies they don't actually go through the act, they just simulate it, and we have put that in the bill so that it would cover simulated intercourse and other obscene acts, such as bestiality. So when you vote for the advancement of this bill Senator Hoagland says you are voting for someone to get 25 years for being in a movie watching someone doing simulated sexually explicit acts so filthy that I don't even want to describe them, though I had to in the bill, and that is all right. Except, remember Senator Hoagland's arguments when I introduced the amendments, he doubts that any judge would ever give 25 years. But now in the closing he says, remember, you are voting on up to 25 years. I think the courts will take that into consideration if this is a first offense. Senator Hoagland said they would. I find it unusual that in his remarks he said a 15-year-old woman. But in his bill, LB 447, he says a juvenile is anybody under 18. Besides that, I don't think a 15-year old is a woman. Maybe the states around us have not adopted stricter legislation on