

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, as a human being.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: As a human being, doesn't mean that you're not prone to make good faith mistakes, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is there a tendency among human beings to slack up on the work that they do, if the opportunity presents itself, or are judges a special breed who are not afflicted by that tendency?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Are you asking me would I like to take a couple days off, if I had a chance? Senator Chambers, they're not going to reduce the amount of work they do. Those people are dedicated people.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, because my time...have you heard of an inst...of a situation that has grown up in certain locations where at least a judge and in some cases some judges were taking so much vacation time that the Supreme Court reviewed the situation and they're going to set some rules as to how much vacation time a judge can take? Are you familiar with that, if you're not, then I don't want to be argumentative.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I don't have any of the specifics. I'm not well versed in that area.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you heard of such a situation arising, recently?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I've heard of allegations.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. And are they allegations sufficiently strong that the Supreme Court is looking into this situation?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I can't tell you what they're officially doing, Senator, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, we do have judges that are slacking up, slacking off, and not doing the work they should do. And it would be a natural thing, just as when some senators get a very capable staff person to turn more work over to that staff person. If you're speaking about yourself, you call it, and this is what the judges would say, we're delegating authority. But, if you're being realistic and paying their salary, you'd say, no, you're passing the buck. So