

they were small with a bottle, washed the bottles, took my children on walks, then I went to the other types of diapers, the Pampers, and I could probably put them on tighter and faster than anybody in this body, not excepting Senator Loran Schmit. I would challenge any of them. Right now, anybody who's got a baby and would be willing to let that baby serve as the exhibit, I will challenge anybody in this body, best three out of five, putting those diapers on and I will win all of them.

SPEAKER BARRETT: A reminder, the discussion is still on the committee amendments. Senator Hefner, followed by Senator Elmer.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I thought maybe we better get back to the committee amendment. Is that all right with you, "Toe Crusher Chambers"? Okay. But I will take you up. I believe that I can change diapers faster than anybody on this floor, but that's beside the point. But let me explain the committee amendment to this body now, just so we know what's in it. Okay, the first part takes care of the plastic rings, the degradable plastic rings for the six and 12-packs of beverage...of beverages, and that would say that they have to be degradable by January 1, 1991, the plastic bags by January 1, 1992 and the degradable diapers by January 1, 1993. The committee amendment does strike the degradable food containers and the Styrofoam cups because we thought we better go along a little bit with the Natural Resources Committee. And so I would just urge, at this time, that you support the committee amendments as amended.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Mr. President, I thank Senator Chambers for his comments about the chemical lecture that I gave up here a short time ago about biodegradability and would also address some of the environmental concerns about chemicals. As far as I'm concerned, if they banned chemicals in the United States entirely, especially for us people that have to handle them and distribute them, it would be a tremendous asset. You can't make money on them. They're hazardous to your employees, they're hazardous to the environment and they really are only beneficial to the agricultural people themselves and that's why there is the demand. And, with that, thank you very much.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Rod Johnson.