

situation. So we need to give the Legislature and the legal system needs to give these children time so they can not only deal with it, but also deal with it in a court of law. And this is what this bill would do. Senator Langford is absolutely correct where the bill is not intended to cause more problems, the bill is intended to help children in this particular area. Senator Chambers has a very good point, however. He brings a lot of what some people would call silly analogies, but one thing that I have learned in my limited experience with the court, and that is all the intents in the world is not necessarily important, it's the way the law is worded. How is the law worded, because a good attorney and a sharp attorney would be able to look at the exact wording of the law and use that wording to make whatever case they so desired, even if it was a case as bizarre as what Senator Chambers was bringing up. So the wording of these particular bills is important. And I agree with Senator Langford that if there are changes that need to be made, certainly let us, as a body, not try to waste too much time in arguing on whether we should or should not, but bring amendments forward, try to work with the amendments, because the concept of the bill is good, the trust of the bill is good, but I would also concur that there needs to be some work done on the bill. And I think both sides are in good faith, and both sides are trying to advance the bill that would help children in the long run. And I thank Senator Langford for the use of her time.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Smith is next, followed by Senator Chambers, then Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President. Ernie, I'm going to do two things. First of all, I'm going to chastise you a little bit. And, secondly,...

PRESIDENT: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: ...I'm going to ask for you to help me, help us. Number one, I'm going to say to you that, yes, I signed on this bill because my understanding of the bill was without...and perhaps I should have looked at everything in this bill, you know. But my understanding was that it was a bill that is going to deal with the kind of concern that I have expressed here on the floor. Until you brought this out this morning, I was not aware of that. And I will tell you that in reading the committee summary of the purpose and intent of the bill, that is