

it are going to be frustrated because prosecutors are not stupid. They're not going to be bringing cases five years old. So you all will feel good again and think that you have done something by passing this bill and it's not. A prosecutor, as Senator Kristensen tried to point out to you, is going to see whether or not he can win the case. That's what the prosecutor is interested in. It's futile and a waste of judicial time and resources to bring a case when the evidence is old, when the witnesses have faulty memories, when their credibility can be impeached or they have no credibility if it's clear that somebody has been coached, because the prosecutor is going to talk to the alleged victim and is going to talk to the witnesses. And you can have somebody coming in shifting from foot to foot...and I did have an article downstairs, I didn't...I didn't want Cindy to send it up to me, where these two girls had been coached to allege that a rape had occurred. And after there was some investigation, it was found that nothing had happened and the stepfather was exonerated. I don't know whether it was five years after, two years after or what period had occurred, but there are times when there can be very serious problems in a family setting and it can take a long period of time for some things to occur to a person or for them to read an article and get an idea. To pass laws that accommodate and encourage that kind of activity is not wise, in my opinion. I am trying...or I had tried to do something about this bill because laws that we put on the books come back to haunt us, just as the existing law on sexual assault, when I was questioning Senator Langford, elicited the response, I don't want to answer questions about the existing law, even though you see problems, but this is the Legislature that enacted that into law over my objections. So next year this becomes the existing law, then something equally without merit comes up and I will try to discuss this and show the problem that existed. And you know what the response will be? I don't want to be...I don't want to talk about existing law. But every existing law was once a bill before this Legislature. Most of these kind are brought by special interest groups who are very sincere and well-meaning but they don't know how to draft legislation and they don't understand the law and they don't blend these things together. And when they come before the committee they will say, you fix it. And the reason I made comments, Senator Chizek, about the Judiciary Committee is because Senator Smith wondered why I didn't do this in that committee. My seatmate, Senator McFarland, has seen me grappling in there like a pit bull...Senator Kristensen, they have seen me ask questions and I