

another area and the body does so without thinking, without meaning any harm but it just happens.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And we need to be very careful on that. But I think the bill is a worthy enough bill that should be advanced to Select File and give the body another chance to look at it at that level. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Further discussion on the advancement, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I would just like to clarify something that I think needs clarification based on something that Senator Kristensen said. Senator Kristensen, in talking about this bill, what I had indicated was that prosecutors try to win cases and if they have one that they know they can't win, it's a waste of judicial time, resources and so forth, but that there could be a situation where people could bring pressure to bear and try to insist that a charge be brought nevertheless, even against his better judgment. And there are prosecutors who will yield to that kind of pressure and bring a case because of the pressure and the public outcry. And that doesn't just happen in Nebraska, it has happened in other places. As for the Judiciary Committee, because of the workload it has, in reality it should be a five-day committee. There is no way it can process the work it has in three days but that still doesn't justify sending bad legislation out here that needs so much work on the floor. We have different points of view about those things. And I appreciate Senator Kristensen trying to massage my ego by saying I have the effect and impact in the Judiciary Committee but, youngster, I have been here 19 years and I know... I have been on the committee for 19 years. Every year I have been in this Legislature I have been a member of that committee and I have to do so much fighting out here because I know I can't get anything done there. I know it. I see the kind of bills that come through there. I see the kind of groups that bring them and I can spot the kind of bills, even before there is a hearing, that will be advanced by the Judiciary Committee and I have discussed that with some of my seatmates on occasion, and reporters and others, even before there is a hearing. I go down the list, sometimes we would just be referring bills to the committee and I can spot the ones that are going to come out and I haven't