

courts act and then drop it in our laps. We all have legislation here. We have serious budget bills that are to be considered and here we are again on and on and on. I guess Senator Kristensen probably made the best argument against advancing the bill, or one of them. Just a few minutes ago, I mentioned here a day or so ago that we would be discussing LB 211 and to listen and listen very close at that time. I believe Senator Kristensen's words just a few minutes ago, and, incidentally, I really respect Senator Kristensen and his legal knowledge and his common sense approach, how hard it is for a child to stand up against a judge, the jurors, the bailiff in this very traumatic time in their life, a simple child 12 or 13-years-old, how difficult it is, one of the downsides of the system and of our system, not going to file the charges because the cases are very hard and very difficult. Still at the same time, you want to subject that little girl, with a very immature body, very small, very small distance between her hips and so on, force that little to carry a child to termination. I believe that what Senator Rogers meant and what we are...we are talking about abortion and we are also talking about two other lives, one or two other lives that we must consider and that is of that very little, small, immature girl. Senator Kristensen says how hard it is to convict someone, someone that commits a crime and yet we're standing here today, this body, considering convicting those small, little girls at this time, this very traumatic time in their life. I would venture to say that most of those girls will go to their parents in the real world and in the best of world I think that 75 or 80 percent of them would. The rest of them would not. You are still subjecting them then to a later...to carry that baby a longer term and longer than should be necessary if an abortion is then considered. It should not be a means of contraceptives and we would hope that it wouldn't be. It's ironic, the same people that are proposing this bill, again, are opposing education, sex education. These little girls are innocent in many, many of these cases. They simply don't even hardly realize what it all means, what sexual intercourse is. They have been trapped, in some instances, and they are simply just small girls that don't know what to do. And I think in most all of those cases they would be conferring with their parents or someone that they feel that they can trust. So, with that, I think we have gone over this bill...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR NELSON: ...about three or four days too long now and I