

burn their car up to collect the insurance on it. I don't understand why these two provisions, arson and forgery, received the type of special benefit that they do. Treason and murder, I don't have a problem with. But arson and forgery are two that I believe, basically because the banks and the insurance companies have placed them into statutes, receive a special type of status that is unjustified. And I offered the amendment to strike them at this time. It just makes them equal to rape, for example, with regard to the statute of limitations.

SENATOR SMITH: Well, maybe we should be going the other way and adding some words in here instead. I really don't have a lot to talk about. I want you to listen to the discussion, then I'm hoping Senator Kristensen can inform you and myself, and maybe convince you that we don't need to have this amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I rise to object to Senator Hall's amendment. I think that these are one of those discussions that are fun to listen to and maybe if we had time and a hearing to flush these out, because they are major policy decisions about what sorts of crime should go in and should go out of the statute of limitations. And Senator Hall is correct, there are four of those crimes that right now have an unlimited amount of statute of limitations. But there are some unique things about treason, there are some unique things about murder, and there are also some unique things about arson and forgery. And I guess the latter two are the ones that I want to talk about. Senator Hall, can I ask you a couple of questions, please?

SENATOR HALL: Yes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hall.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Do you know of any specific problems with let's say forgery having an unlimited amount of statute of limitations? Is there a specific problem that you're aware of?

SENATOR HALL: No, Senator Kristensen, there is none that I am aware of. The only problem I have, and the only reason I offer the amendment is because I questioned why we limit...give unlimited statute to these four provisions and not to crimes