

would like to call the question, but I think I should probably talk about this a bit. One thing that came to my mind when Senator Hall brought this amendment was what about a will? A will is written and put in the safety deposit box, and the person doesn't die for 20 years. If it is a forgery, the statute of limitations could allow something unforeseen to happen in this case. I also think that probably sometimes when arson is involved this is found out much later when a person has been killed or something unusual happens that they find out who the person was who committed the arson and they can thereby prosecute. I do wish though that, since this does need more thought than we can give it today or that we want to give it today, I would appreciate it if you would withdraw this amendment. Maybe next year we can have a hearing. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I object strenuously to this method of amending on Select File, a bill, an issue that has not had a public hearing, has not ever been discussed and comes up because of some subjective idea of Senator Hall. And I think it's the wrong way to legislate. And I really resent the way it...that it isn't even...that it is presented in the first place. It's very misleading when we talk about forged checks. As Senator Kristensen pointed out, and Senator Langford, the forgery is of...could be of bonds that have been put in safety deposit boxes, of a number of things. This is a substantial change and should not be even considered at the whim on the last minute, lazy day of this body. And I would hope that we overwhelmingly defeat this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Senator Hall, for offering this kind of amendment at this time you are giving us a good thing to think about. But I would also go ahead and say to Senator Kristensen, that he's given a good view of why we had other particular things to keep arson and forgeries within. I would like to approach from just one other area, and that area would be that the intent of the bill, LB 211, is to look at child abuse, look at child assaults 16 and under, and focus on that narrow view. What you are bringing forth, I think, is a broader view. What do we want to do with statutes of limitations in a broad, whole spectrum of areas? And I think that's a very good thing to do. And I think