

SENATOR SCHMIT: We have turned over, Senator, the evidence that we have discovered thus far that we feel does have a basis for a prosecutor to file charges.

SENATOR CROSBY: And, second, the thing is that it seems to me at this stage of the game, the law enforcement, and I don't understand the mechanism that would put this into being, but it seems to me that you're at the point where all of this should maybe be turned over to a grand jury. I do not feel that Legislature is a court and I just have mixed feelings about your continuing investigating something that it seems to me you have investigated almost to the point where there is no more investigating to be done. What about a grand jury? Have you thought about calling a grand jury? I think there is a grand jury in Omaha. I guess not.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Crosby, the committee has discussed a grand jury. The committee views our responsibility very seriously. We feel that there are additional areas which need to be investigated. They are a legislator responsibility, and if you will read the resolution as it is...(interruption)

SENATOR CROSBY: I have read the resolution, I have read the resolution.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Let me tell you then exactly what I interpret this responsibility to be. Our responsibility as I envision it at this time is one which will eventually determine whether or not the confidence of the people in their government will continue or it is going to be further decimated by inactivity by responsible individuals.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Schmit, that's the answers that I wanted. I simply feel that if that is your point now, that you want to investigate the investigators, that's an entirely different subject and I think that you maybe should start over. I don't feel good about your committee continuing the way it is, and so I may vote against your resolution. I just want you to understand why, because I do appreciate the work you have done, especially the child abuse and I hope that something comes out of that that is productive for our state to stop the child abuse that has been going on. The videos and the pornography, one of the things that hurts children and women in the world and the United States of America and in this state is