

while I have this moment, I have to express my concern about the Governor's heavy-handed attempt to deal with the drug problems, and the reason I think that is hypocritical and ill-advised, when she had that shindig the other night and had to get a waiver so that alcoholic beverages could be served on state property, and alcohol is the most abused drug in this society, it leads to more deaths, more injuries, more broken families, than all of the illicit drugs put together, and there were children on the premises, and she goes for that, and then wants to come in here and give a State of the State message and say, we have got to get the drug users off the street and give a message to our children. What will they learn? From what she says or from what she does?

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They had to give some of these youngsters a different type or different color armband so that they would not be served alcohol because they were underage. So in the presence of the most abused drug, we have children and we have the Governor, the Chief Executive Officer of this state, who says that this is the year of the family, creating an environment where the most abused drug is served in the presence of our young children, and the only way it can be served is to get a waiver to do away with the very wise policy enacted by the Legislature, that you cannot serve alcoholic beverages on state property. Now, what kind of messages are we giving? We can talk tough in a political year and say I mean this, build more jails and lock people up, but the reality is that we don't genuinely care and we will not go after the causes but only symptoms. This bill is going after symptoms and it is doing it in a way that will not be effective.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I think it would tread on unconstitutional ground.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay, on the committee amendments, followed by Senator Beck, Abboud, and Haberman.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I think my comments, I guess, are addressed to both the bill and the committee amendments primarily because I don't think that this bill can be really straightened out enough to make it a decent