

the way it's written. The way its written imposes it on anybody up to or under, excuse me, under age 19. It's referring to a minor. I think that the committee amendments are valid. I think that the reasoning behind them is good. Again, I would urge the rejection of the amendment. I would give the remainder of my time to Senator Morrissey.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Morrissey, approximately three minutes.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: I won't need much time. I would have to agree with Senator Lindsay. I will incriminate myself, although I won't get too graphic. When I was in high school I did some horrible, horrible things to animals. We had a Campbell's Soup plant in Tecumseh, and there were renegade chickens that hung out behind the plant. And in a small town, Saturday night, what are you gonna do? We went and rounded up a herd of chickens and did some unspeakable things to those chickens at night. And my parents, no matter what they told me, they wouldn't have made any difference. On a hot summer night, you're riding around out in the country, trunkload of chickens, nothing they said would have stopped us from doing what we did, and it was terrible. And I don't think my parents should have had any liability on that.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Further discussion? Senator Dierks, followed by Senator Nelson.

SENATOR DIERKS: I suppose that confession is good for the soul in that...Senator Morrissey. (Laughter.) I believe, Mr. Speaker, we're coming with another change in the amendment. If we strike the words "cruelly mistreated" from that Section 8, I think that might satisfy the...the very last line on page...line 13 on page 7, the very last line of Section 8. If we strike the language "cruelly mistreated" this may satisfy Senator Lindsay with his regards to the action of the minors and their parents responsibility. That way the wording would read if the animal is abandoned or cruelly neglected, and we strike the language "cruelly mistreated". Will that...Mr. Speaker, I believe that Senator Lindsay will bring a new amendment, and I'm going to withdraw my amendment to the amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, it's withdrawn. We are then back to the amendment. Discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Nelson, on the committee amendments.