

going to have one opportunity to implement a court of appeals in this state, and the risk that Senator Schimek and Senator Bernard-Stevens have alluded to and talked to may be very real. But we've got a trust to protect, and that trust is to maintain and guard our institutions. The Supreme Court is one of those institutions. If we allow that institution to become bogged down in a work load that society has given to it, I think we've abrogated our duties to that institution, and I think we've failed miserably. We have a duty to do things that maybe are unpopular with ourselves. I'm sure it's real hard. There are probably decisions of the Supreme Court that they've handed down that you don't like. There are cases that I didn't agree with, cases that maybe made my job or my life a lot harder. But that's not the issue. The issue is here how do we best maintain and guard the institution of the Supreme Court in this state and allow the citizenry and the average citizenry to have their appeals heard in the most expeditious manner and yet the fairest manner. And that's the balance that we have to do. This isn't a method simply to devote more time and let the Supreme Court get out of a work load. It's a method so they can spend more time to give our average cases a great deal of research, consideration and to handle in the most expeditious manner the average citizen's litigation in less than a two year period, because that's what we have right now. I would urge that this measure be advanced. And I thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Discussion on the advancement of the bill?
Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I always wanted to do something like this. Dearly beloved, we are gathered together here on this very sad occasion to lay to rest one who has been loyal, devoted in trying to carry out his duties and responsibilities of protecting all of us. Those of us who felt we would never have need of his services, nevertheless, were fortunate enough to have him there to protect us. Now, thanks to the heartlessness of Senator Kristensen and his colleagues, he lies stretched out before us as a nonbreathing, unfeeling corpse, dead to the rapture and despair, Senator Kristensen. You and your colleagues are behaving like a lynch mob. You have disregarded all of the principles of equity because the people who need those guarantees are not represented in sufficient numbers on the floor of this Legislature. I look at old Senator Chizek, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, walking around with his hands in his pockets, not being bothered in the least as the