

rules of law that will be applied to actually existing things, fact situations and people. As a result, you have to have a particular type of training to read the law and make sense of it. And you make sense of it only by voluntarily suspending your disbelief, which is what you have to do in fiction to allow certain plots to go ahead and develop because there is no way in the real world that plot situation could exist. One of the things that has particularly griped me is something that happened to me, personally, in the court. They have got poor Senator Kristensen, a freshman senator, running down here puffing and panting and falling all over himself because these judges are overworked. I win a case on a trivial matter, a speeding ticket, I win before the Supreme Court. They reverse, but they decide that I should go to trial on it again, and the dissenting judge, an intelligent person who recognizes the concept of stare decisis or precedent, using prior decisions to influence what future decisions will be, pointed out that in a case like this the court has always reversed and dismissed.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But in order to require me to go to trial again, before these overworked judges, they changed their precedent. Now how am I to believe that they didn't do that just because I'm who I am? I believe that's why they did it. I know, to a moral certainty, that's why they did it. Then they want me to come in here and give them what amounts to an \$18,000 increase by January 1 of 1991 over what they get now; \$18,000 increase. And they're not doing the kind of work that justifies that kind of increase. Then when you place that particular horse in its location, there is a cart behind that horse full of dunderheads and incompetents called various levels of judges who automatically will be given increases, too.

PRESIDENT: Time. Senator Kristensen, you are next but may I make a couple of announcements. Senator Schellpeper has guests under the north balcony. We have Harry and Doris Knoobbe from West Point, and J.D. Alexander of Pilger, and Herb Albers of Wisner. Would you folks please stand and be recognized by the Legislature. Thank you for visiting us today. I have also been asked to announce that the members of the National Federation of the Blind are now hosting their annual breakfast and reception in Room 2102. You are welcome to go there. Senator Kristensen, followed by Senator McFarland and Senator Lindsay, please.