

students who were talked to about their drug abuse mentioned that they used crack, they used cocaine, marijuana and pills and they said they probably are not arrested because people don't accept the idea that they, being white and clean-cut, use drugs, but that they have serious drug problems. One white man, talking to the Channel 7 reporter, pointed out that the amounts of money are so large that the money is not counted, it is weighed and one such amount of money weighed as a result of a drug transaction turned out to be \$135,000. That amount has never been seized during what they call a drug sweep in North Omaha where I and people of my complexion live, so there is a misplacement by the police of their activities and they are not dealing with the drug problem.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When they arrest all of these young black men and take them before these racist judges, then they are convicted. In some instances, they are told by the public defender that they have no chance to win because the judge is a racist so they should plead guilty even if they have not committed the crime and they are advised to handle their cases in this fashion. The prosecutors know about the racism and Senator Chizek wants me to vote to put two more people there to carry out that kind of activity and there is nothing going on in the Douglas County judicial system or the judicial system throughout the state presided over by Chief Justice Hastings to even acknowledge the existence of this problem, let alone address it. I'm opposed to this bill, I'm opposed to the half million dollars, and if these judges would get up off their lazy rumps and start being honest and fair in the way that they handle their cases, they wouldn't have the backlog and things would be a lot different and my attitude would be such that I could support some salary increases and other things.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that brings me to another subject. Peter Citron is a young gentleman who has two sex abuse charges against him. There has been an indication that some of the district judges in Douglas County may be involved in what is being investigated and called the Franklin matter, and every district judge in Douglas County has recused himself and will not handle that case, and Senator Chizek wants us to send two more there so that they can also recuse themselves when a case