

effect they're the same age, but because one is 18 and the other is not, then the 18-year-old gets life. But that's not what I'm asking. Here's what I'm asking. Is it worse for that person to give a counterfeit drug to somebody? This means it's not narcotic. Doesn't produce any effect. It is not a controlled substance. It's a counterfeit. You give that to this youngster and the youngster ingests it and nothing happens, and a person under the right circumstances can get life for having given that. Now, let's take that person, instead of giving the pill he takes that meat cleaver and chops the arm off, or both hands off this other one, because the other one would receive the drugs and he doesn't think he should receive the drugs so he chops the hands off. Which do you feel is worse? You want to let your aide answer? (Laugh)

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Just pointing out a difference in that the current statutes do not distinguish between counterfeit and real.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then let's let it be real. But what I am saying is it can be counterfeit, so I want to deal with, since there's no distinction because I'm saying you treat them the same so it can be a counterfeit drug that gets somebody life. Would you agree with that under your bill?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: It's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. So somebody gives a counterfeit drug and they can get life. Which do you think is worse--giving the counterfeit drug or chopping the person's arm off?

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: I am unable to answer that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I've got to ask somebody who can. Senator Hall, are you willing to give an opinion?

PRESIDENT NICHOL: Senator Hall, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Hall, which of the two do you think is worse?

SENATOR HALL: I think clearly chopping the young person's arm off.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And suppose it got good to me and I chopped