

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want some place in the law to show that this Legislature recognizes alcohol when it is given to minors as the drug that it is.

SENATOR PIRSCH: We have done that in the statutes. We have done that now...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we have other places in the statutes...

SENATOR PIRSCH: ...because it is serious.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we have other places in the statutes where all of these drug offenses that we are talking about are made crimes, but we are creating a special category of crime when it involved somebody below the age of 18.

SENATOR PIRSCH: But we are talking about illegal drugs. Alcohol is a legal drug, like it or not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If it is given...

SENATOR PIRSCH: It is sold. It is consumed. It is freely carried by supposedly legally those over 21.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Can marijuana be prescribed by a doctor and be legal for that person to have access to it?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes, I believe so. Those are controlled substances.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, even though when it is prescribed to Mr. or Ms. A, it is legal. If I, Mr. B get it, it doesn't become legal for me, even though it is legal for some.

SENATOR PIRSCH: That is right. And that is true with prescription drugs and the whole lot.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now what about if you got it by prescription legally, and I got it from you, does the fact that it was legal for you to have it make it legal for me to have it, too?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Well, you know, that would be a case for lawyers to argue whether my care and custody and control should have kept you from getting that drug.