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SENATOR LABEDZ: I would say that is physical abuse.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But you don't know for sure.

SENATOR LABEDZ: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Neither do I.

SENATOR LABEDZ: And sexual abuse, and you go on read further, it is sexual abuse as defined in Section 28-367, or abuse or neglect as defined in Section 28-710, I should think that covers everything.

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we don't know what that abuse is, do we?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Do I have to define it again? I will do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, no, I am saying based on the language here, if you gave this to somebody, would they know what those terms mean?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Absolutely, if they are a teacher, a nurse, or a counselor, they would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But you don't know and you are the chief sponsor.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Victim of abuse would be physical abuse. Sexual abuse, we all know what that is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't. I don't know what it is based on the statute because there is such things as penetration, not penetration, and I don't know what this section means unless I read it.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Sexual abuse would even cover molesting a child.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that a part of this section that you have cited? Are you sure?

SENATOR LABEDZ: I am not sure but I would say that is the way I