

when they have serious problems that they feel nobody else will speak out on. And some of you who sit here and will blithely vote for this kind of legislation, which you expect to apply to somebody else, if it comes your way you would pray that you have an advocate of the type that some of us would show ourselves to be, who will speak out for you if we think that you are right, despite what everybody else may say. But as long as you think the wolf will never come and howl at your door, then you don't see any problem confronted by those who are facing the wolf, because you say if they were not evil, if they had not done something wrong, the wolf would not be there. An accusation, in this society, is as good as a conviction. And when we allow these cops this kind of discretion do you think we are upgrading law enforcement. You don't require them to have any additional training, nothing. Just give them additional power to infringe on the rights of citizens. And some of you have told me of experiences you've had with law enforcement officers where you knew the officer lied. And I guess you tell me because I know that they lie. Their mouths are not prayer books. They fabricate evidence on a regular basis. All you need to do is sit in some of these kangaroo courts where they're running what are called ordinary people through. When I'm sitting in court I've had people tell me down here in Lancaster County kangaroo court that they love it when I'm there because when the judges become aware of me they start suddenly reading to the defendants all the rights that they have. The right to a lawyer, if you don't have one, to have one appointed; that you don't have to testify against yourself;...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that if you plead guilty you waive every right that you would have; to confront your accusers; to be represented by a lawyer. If it offers the possibility of imprisonment, the right to a jury trial. Some people tell me those judges don't read that all to the people who are accused, unless they see me there, and some of them were wishing that I'd come to court every day just to be there. But see all of the good people in this Chamber, all of their relatives will never confront that, so what do they care. The only people in court are the ones who are guilty, the bad people who are to be punished, whether or not they committed the offense that the cop charged. They just happened to live on the wrong side of the tracks, they wear the wrong color skin, they belong to the wrong religion, they have the wrong sexual orientation. And for those