

trying to keep it secret until it was exposed, they didn't go after that white guy who did that. Governor didn't go after him, wanted to justify him and make it not very serious, and that's the way it always is when white people are dealing with white people. White people always stick together ultimately when they are working against nonwhite people. The Democrats and the "Repelicans" can come together and forget all their differences when they want to go after a black woman. They forget it all. They can surmount religious differences and attack a black woman. The Governor, as head of the executive branch, can get the legislative branch in cahoots with him to attack a black woman. That is what is being done by this bill. That's what the Governor wants and that's what his intention is. This is a way that he can get rid of Chairperson LaVon Stennis. He doesn't like the fact that she has stood up to him, that she has revealed to the public racist things that he has done, not only in connection with the Equal Opportunity Commission, but other boards, agencies, and commissions; the greater salary that he pays to white males, and, in some instances, white females. When the white woman who heads the Materiel Division got into difficulty and the Ombudsman's Office found it to be the case, the Governor didn't talk about getting rid of her. They all rallied around and supported her, and said it is just a management approach which is different. When they went after Sonny Foster and Mary Dean Harvey, both of them black, they got rid of them, and you want to tell me there is no racism, all these things are coincidental. You all can tell that to the Marines. I am going to paraphrase Khrushchev. He had said, don't think we have forgotten Marx, Engels, and Lenin, they will be forgotten when shrimp learn how to sing. I will accept that all these things done against black people in this state by the Governor and his stooges was merely coincidental when shrimp learn how to sing. Whenever you have a train of events flowing in the same direction, originating from the same source, hurting the same group, that is not coincidence, that is by design. When in philosophy they try to persuade you there's a God, they say, there's no way you could take the parts of a watch and throw them out on the street and they'd combine themselves into the form of a watch which works and functions as a watch should. But you want to tell a man of my age and experience that all of these racist actions by the Governor and his stooges are not based on racism,...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.