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I'm going to shoot you. That is one of those acts which, whether I complete or not, was done...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...with the purpose of committing a sexual offense. It could be called an attempt, it could be called conspiracy if I'm doing it in conjunction with somebody else, even if the sexual act does not occur. But if I put a pistol on you and say give me your money, that's not a sexual act. I'm saying the same words, I'm putting the gun on you in the same way, but it's not for the same purpose. If I kidnap somebody and commit a sexual offense, then that kidnapping was a part of that sexual act you can say. But if I kidnap somebody for a nonsexual purpose, I still can be labeled a violent sexual offender for a nonsexual act. So wouldn't it make more sense, if you want to spread as wide a net as most people in this body like to do, to draft language saying that whatever offense is committed, if it's...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...done for a sexual purpose then it would qualify?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, Senator Chambers, I, you and I may be on opposite ends of this particular bill, but I will be forthright and say I have not given this as good of attention as I needed to because I've been working on another bill that'll be coming up here shortly. But you did pique my interest, and if you don't mind I would, I would like for you to bring me up to speed a little bit. This amendment changes a portion of an Abboud amendment that was previously agreed to, is that correct?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, and it's on page...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Six?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..389 of the Journal.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay. And if I understand it, and