

cases that county courts...?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, if it was a real serious problem I would rather doubt that any of the...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Parties?

SENATOR JANSSEN: ..counsels would agree to this. You know, if there was a chance of too much press or so on on a case, I'm sure that they would not. They have the opportunity to either allow or disallow this and both parties have to agree.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, Senator, I noticed that this bill did advance with a unanimous vote of the committee and so I'm not going to...I'm not going to belabor the point. I'm just a little bit cautious when we change a basic procedure in the criminal justice system and I may not vote for it, to advance it, but I'll...maybe I'll visit with you a little bit more, and if you'd like some more of my time, please, go ahead.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, Senator, thank you, Senator Schimek. Felony cases I understand would probably be held in the district courts...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: That's what I was thinking...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...anyway, so.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...but I wanted to clarify.

SENATOR JANSSEN: And this is something, Senator Schimek, that had...that has been used in the past and the Supreme Court said that it could lead to some jury misconduct. This would take care of that, but it would also put in a provision the...that both parties have to agree, which wasn't in there before, so.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you. Senator Lindsay for discussion.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Mr. Speaker, how much time remains on the bill?

SPEAKER WITHEM: There are about four and a half minutes left.