

be deprived of life without due process of law. So if it is established that I knew this was an explosive device and I threw it down there intending to harm Senator DeCamp, I am criminally responsible for all of the consequences of that act and that is the way it should be. So, we should require that the person know, and I hope people like Senator Conway, Senator Smith, Senator Nelson, Senator Remmers and some of those who are concerned about how these laws are drafted and how they will impact on young people will look at what I am talking about. To show you how poorly thought out this bill is, they say they are after the manufacturers who manufacture millions of these pills, but you will see that the penalty is the same for one of these West Omaha High School kids who gives one of these pills to a classmate as it is for the company that manufactures a million of them. Yes, Senator Higgins, there is only one penalty and they say that they're not trying to bulldoze these students. That's the only reason those people came down here to talk for this bill. When have you ever seen a situation where the manufacturer, the gigantic scale distributor is treated the same as the student who may in fact be the victim and they want to tell you that this is a good bill, it is going to solve the societal problem and yet you go after the solution in a way that is worse than the problem. You are putting into criminal law a concept that I think ought not be there. First of all you don't require knowledge and intention. The only knowledge under this bill is that you possess this item and that you pass it to somebody.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You don't have to intend to deceive them. You don't even have to know what it is. Somebody could give it to Senator Conway and say give this to Senator Johnson and he knows that he's got this and he knows he gave it to Senator Johnson so he has committed the offense, and if Senator Hoagland says that is not true, then he is not telling you the truth. All that you need to have is knowledge, not intent. Or, you can intend to pass it and not know what you are passing and the intent to pass it is sufficient. You should put the two of them together and there is nothing wrong with that. That is the way the law should work if it is to be taken at all. And, secondly, you should not treat the student whom all these people pretend to be so concerned about the same way you treat the manufacturer. A 20 billion pill seller is no worse than the