

Legislature I think 34 to 10, or approximately there. I then pointed out that that language I had just offered, and that the Legislature had just overwhelmingly rejected, and that they had condemned as so dangerous, that that language were the exact words from the Bill of Rights of the Constitution of the United States of America that have been in existence for two hundred and some years. That is what was rejected. Because the mind frame, we set up when we get talking about this, is such that in our minds are these paramilitary groups over there, out there to take over the country, and almost anything you say to try to rebut that or argue against it is viewed as being either in favor of civil disorder, anti-Semitic, anti this, anti that. And we somehow lose sight of those original constitutional principles. I think that is pretty much what is occurring here. Senator Beutler got up and he offered some very compelling and strong language about Nazi Germany and what occurred there, and this law, or laws like this were needed to prevent that type of thing from occurring again. Senator Beutler and others, go back and check Nazi Germany. It was exactly this kind of law that created the chilling effect and created the ability or excuse for the government or those in power to break down the door of a Jewish gathering, or break down the door of a synagogue and come in and say, you are assembling for this purpose, or we are taking you into custody for questioning. It is this kind of law that fosters the development of those things because this kind of law...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR DECAMP: ...seeks to give ability to individuals in government and individuals in a power position not to get convictions. That is not what it is used for. It is used to stop conduct such as thinking, this type of thing, or that. It does the exact opposite of what you intend, and it suspends constitutional freedoms, ultimately, and creates a chilling effect over everybody. For that reason, I would suggest you do kill the bill. As I say, I suspect you could even offer, as I did 10 years ago, the identical words of the Constitution of the United States. And with the mood that is created, and the atmosphere that has developed, once again, had I not told you in advance, those freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution would probably be rejected 25, 30, 34, whatever, just as they were 10 years ago in the identical situation.