

review this transcript and this bill very carefully in ultimately coming up with its rules. I know that some of you use campaign money for publications. Publications include such things as books. I, personally, have concluded that publications fall...the expenditures for publications fall within the rubric of obtaining public input. I think, if anybody disagrees with that, that they ought to offer an amendment to make it clear that publications do not. I know that some of you use your campaign funds to host dinner parties for senators and others, and I think again that falls under the rubric of public opinion and, therefore, no change to the law needs to be made. If someone disagrees with that, I believe that an amendment ought to be offered to that fact, to take that particular interpretation out. When it comes, however, to travel, using campaign funds, the commission itself has adopted, or wants to adopt a fairly restrictive policy. Senator Landis rightfully proposes, in this bill, that we be permitted to use campaign funds for travel related to our office. My amendment simply expands it to allow us to use travel for our staff, and that is it. It does not encompass travel for family members, incidentally. So if our spouses decide to attend, or our children, or what have you decide to attend, we have to pick up their cost out of our personal funds, not out of our campaign funds, and I think that is proper. Campaign money ought not be used for family vacations, it ought to be used for legitimate public purposes. In addition, I do want to make certain that certain social functions which are not done solely or primarily for campaign workers and volunteers but are done for constituents are clearly protected and covered by this particular amendment. That is what it does. I ask you to bring the bill back, put the amendment on and readvance it.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The question is the return of the bill to Select File. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 5 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The bill is returned. Senator Morehead. Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President, colleagues, I move we recess until one-thirty.