

this money? Does that mean when you have to buy a meal on the road when you are campaigning you can't use this money? I take it that it does mean this. How about office supplies? You certainly have to maintain an office when you are campaigning and a place to work out of. I think that we need to place more trust in the individual. We need to trust these candidates. They are not crooks. They are not people who will circumvent the law. I think that elected officials or those campaigning to be an elected official are responsible people. I think that we have a bad situation now and I think that this would just make it worse. Let's vote to indefinitely postpone this bill.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Higgins is next but before she speaks let's have our special attention to under the North balcony where Senator Jim Goll has some very special guests, his son, Jim Jr., his wife, Susan, grandsons, J.B. and Benjamin and son, Charles, all from Tekamah. Would you stand and let us recognize you please. Thank you for visiting the Legislature. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I have mixed emotions about Senator Fenger's kill motion. I would have been for it and now I have seen Senator DeCamp's amendments so I am for both, the amendments that DeCamp has introduced as well as Fenger's kill motion. One of the things that I would like to address to this bill is this. They say it is very specific but I have before me a former state senator's accountability report and it shows on here that he paid his daughter seven hundred and some dollars for typing and his son-in-law a hundred and fifty dollars and yet this bill doesn't say anything about you can't pay your family out of your campaign funds. So I am wondering, why was the family left out for being paid but the family, you can't pay their medical or dental bills or anything like that. I also see where the former senator's legislative aide was given twelve hundred dollars as a consultant's fee. There is nothing in this bill that says you can't use a legislative aide or maybe an administrative aide and pay them out of your campaign fund. I am wondering why this isn't addressed to the bill because that almost seems like a conflict of interest to me. It is questionable anyway. And then there is an expense here for over two hundred dollars for a typewriter this candidate purchased with campaign funds. I noticed the last page of the bill says that if you do that you can't keep the typewriter but you can turn it over to some other candidate's committee. Ironically, one of the introducers of this bill supported the senator that did the things I just mentioned and I am wondering if maybe that is why you can turn typewriters over to other candidates. Maybe they were thinking far in advance about getting that