

SPEAKER BARRETT: Certainly.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They could not impose sanctions until that whole matter was resolved.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Again, I want to apologize because I wasn't here when the bill was heard first and perhaps Senator Chambers can answer some more questions. But my concern, I guess, is this. Apparently the NCAA is a regulatory group. Is that right, Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not just regulatory but that's part of what they do.

SENATOR SCHMIT: All right. Can they run out of money?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I don't think so. It's impossible, as long as they have the sporting events they have now it is impossible for them to run out of money.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Now, that's going quite a ways as far as I'm concerned. I don't think, you know, anyone can run out of money but they do have resources. Can they come back and assess the various programs for money if they get...if they are in need?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You would have to look at what their rules are. Their money comes from these athletic events. And, Senator Schmit, that's why I wish people would pay attention to how much the NCAA is taking in every year from these events, not just football but basketball, baseball, hockey, all of them that make money, help contribute money to the NCAA, and the amount of money they have is not going to be exhausted.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I will agree, Senator Chambers, that the NCAA and the athletic program at the University of Nebraska and many other universities far exceeds in interest most of the legitimate businesses in the state. But I would suggest that, for whatever purpose they exist, for whatever...to whatever degree that they exercise some control over the institutions and the programs, I'm not at all conversant with their program, I'm not at all informed on the need and necessity or anything of that nature. But can you give me an example of...has any such violation of due process occurred at the University of Nebraska,