

in a nonprofessional manner. It seemed to me, however, that the athlete is the one who is being called upon to be limited...

PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...in their choice and it would seem to me that to the extent that this procedure would limit the entry into the area of negotiation, certain individuals who might not have any particular financial resources who may be novices in this area, but who might, nonetheless, have a varied and sincere interest in protecting the individual right to the athlete, that it might not be in the best interests of the athlete for this bill to become law. It would seem to me...

PRESIDENT: Time.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...Senator Chambers indicated that he thought I would support the bill. I think I probably will, or that I would not support the bill. Upon first blush I do not think that I will, and I'm going to listen to the debate. I want to just ask once more that we all listen to the debate very carefully because so many times a well-intentioned piece of legislation does not do that which it was intended and does, in fact, restrict those individuals who do not need to be restricted while not really having any desirable restrictions upon those individuals who might be taking advantage of the athletes. So I would encourage you to listen to the debate further and at this present time, Senator, I do not think I'm going to support the bill.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hall, followed by Senator Ashford, Senator Hefner, several others.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I rise in opposition to Senator Chambers' kill motion with regard to LB 244...224. The issue here is one that I guess in another form or fashion Senator Chambers would probably very easily support, endorse and very likely champion, because the idea is to protect those who through, I guess no fault of their own, have the inability to protect themselves in many cases. But as Ernie often does, Ernie wants to make sure we do it in the right way. Senator Chambers, would you yield to a question?

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, please.