

category is the one that the university has admitted in their letter that they discriminate against. For Senator McFarland to say that Nebraska has a great football program, I have to ask, what is being taught to those players who are told they must be discriminated against for the welfare of the program? The interests of the athletic department must be elevated above the interests of the student. Having a football team that can win is more important than having laws and policies governing a university that prohibit discrimination against some of the students. Now it's unquestionably true that football at the university is an integral part of the offerings of that university. To say that a student must agree to be discriminated against in order to participate in that university activity is unfair. It is unconscionable, it is immoral. If that kind of condition were placed on any other student participating in any other program at the university, there would be an uproar. But the athletes are traditionally set aside for various types of discrimination. I would like to ask Senator Nelson a question or two if I may.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Senator Nelson, would you respond?

SENATOR NELSON: Sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Nelson, are you aware that the program over there, in fact, does discriminate against a category of the athletes?

SENATOR NELSON: I think that is a concern. I certainly...my whole concern is, Senator Chambers, is are we moving too rapid and are we...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, no, are you aware...

SENATOR NELSON: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...are you aware that the discrimination exists?

SENATOR NELSON: I guess I probably would call it a discrimination. I can see the difference in the scholarships.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, now are you in favor of the university having an official policy of discrimination such as that which, in the letter to Senator McFarland, Vice Chancellor Griesen