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much I hate doing it, but I have a primary responsibility and obligation that supersedes that promise to be there. However, since it appears that we're not behaving as a Legislature, but as a campaign committee, there is no need for me to cancel anything. There is no need for us, really, to have the amendments that Senator Hall's committee will present, because if the Governor offered them, they're going to be adopted and that bill is going to be passed. It's a tragedy and it's regrettable. There are times when it would be nice if partisanship could be taken out of the legislative process. But whenever we have a very serious issue, such as this, partisanship does, to use a cliché, rear its ugly head. Not every member in this body, who belongs to a particular political party, will put on that party's livery for the purpose of carrying out marching orders as they have been given. But, unfortunately, from everything that I've seen and read, the Legislature is going to give the Governor what she has asked for. It's a good thing that I've never been made chairman of a committee. I think you all have been very wise, in the past, by denying me that position because I would assert my prerogatives, and I would do all I possibly could in that position to stop certain things from happening, and the only way they would happen is for us to have some good old, knock-down acrimonious, hard-bitten debates and arguments, such as may occur in Parliament, where people feel like jumping from their seats and shouting at the top of their lungs because they are so indignant and angry. This Legislature is too well behaved at the wrong time. This is one of those junctures where we are going to compound a bad problem and make it worse by disregarding the interests and concerns of the people as a whole in order to placate a few chosen corporations. I would go crazy dealing with some of the definitions that are being offered, because my mind is meticulous. It's difficult for me to be dishonest and pretend that something is right when I know that it is not. And we are engaging in a sham. Most people on this floor will not study those amendments, will not read the definitions or see their implications. If a certain special interest group comes in and says, we have been exempted, so don't worry about it, instead of that taking down a red flag, that should raise more of them because, again, we're piecemealing it and placating a few, hand-picked individuals in groups who have the means to come here and approach this Legislature.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, you've talked five minutes. I don't know if you get five or ten, but...