

PRESIDENT: Senator Hall, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You had indicated that the questions I was asking about these irrigation systems and the type of classification that is being done here goes to the heart of the bill.

SENATOR HALL: The...Senator Chambers, I don't...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Let me...withdraw that question, let me ask you this one.

SENATOR HALL: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that definitional portion that is being put into the bill, by way of the committee amendments, essential to this bill?

SENATOR HALL: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is it a reason for the bill's passage if it is added? Are there those who will support the bill with that amendment who would not support it without it, in your opinion?

SENATOR HALL: In my opinion, I would say, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And what the Supreme Court has indicated is that if you create an entirely new piece of legislation that is an act within itself, then a clause can be inserted that will say if any portion is unconstitutional, any portion that remains on its own can be upheld. But if you are amending a statute,...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...and an unconstitutional portion was a motivation for passing that amendatory statute, then if that portion is struck down, the whole bill falls. And what that means, and those who drafted this legislation or the evil ones behind it know and understand very well, that even if the bill is struck down after it becomes law, they don't care because their purpose is to navigate the election waters safely. I am going to vote no on everything that comes up this session while I am here to cast a vote.