

amendments, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator, the first amendment to the committee amendments I have is by Senator Baack. Senator, I have your AM2686. (See page 627 of the Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Baack.

SPEAKER BAACK: Yes, Mr. Chairman and colleagues, I will give you an explanation of this amendment and the committee amendments. I do have another amendment that follows this one that will amend the committee amendments with some technical language that the Accountability and Disclosure Commission wanted us to include in the bill. With the explanation of this I think that one of the things that we need to do, as a Legislature, I think is react to what public sentiment is going on in the general public about the way that Legislatures conduct themselves and about the way campaigns are conducted. I think that one of the things that we need to do is show the Legislature that we are willing to deal with the problem of campaign spending. One of the things that I hear very, very often in my district is we are spending way too much money on campaigns. We are spending too much money campaigning for offices, offices that pay much less than we spend to get those offices. People want to see us cut down on the amount of money that's spent on campaigns. That's what this bill attempts to do. And I will give you...part...I will explain the committee amendments as...as the two amendments that I'm going to offer would amend them and then I will go into the exact specifics of this specific amendment. The committee amendments would...the one change that...or a couple of changes that were made by the committee from the rewrite that I gave them were the date of implementation would be changed to January 1st of 1993, so it would not affect this election cycle because we're too far into it to affect this election cycle. It would apply only after 1993. One of the reasons that I had to offer some amendments to change the basic structure of the bill that I had rewritten was because we have a bill pending before us now, Senator Lindsay's bill, which deals with provisions of if you do make expenditures over a certain amount, you have to pay income tax at a very high level for those expenditures over a certain amount. And one of the reasons that I had to amend this one was so that we made the provisions the same, or made the spending limitations exactly the same as they were in the...I think it's LB 829, I believe. Is that yours, Senator, 829? LB 529 is the bill. And we wanted