

legislative race of any kind is enough, less if possible. Each one of us lives in the approximately the same amount of space or we're supposed to have the same number of people in our district, so the square miles are different but the people are the same. And in cities in particular it's like living in a small town. You have 32,000 people more or less. You have restaurants, hospitals, whatever in most of these districts, schools, so it is like living in a small town and your neighbors and your friends are the ones that support you for office and they are the ones who have supported me and who have contributed to my campaigns and I just feel strongly that we can't, when you go up over \$50,000 total for a legislative race you're really going too far and last year we had some, 1990, we had some state races or state official races that way too much money was spent. And when I go back to Legislature, for instance, you have to go out and visit with your constituents. That is the main way that you get in touch with the people that are going to vote for you and yard signs and so on. Television doesn't do you any good, especially in a city because you have no idea who is going to watch, when or where, if you run an ad on television in Omaha when you're running in Lincoln, what good is that? You have no idea how the market is targeted. So I do support except I want to go back, Senator Baack, and be really sure. Maybe I can get some information from you and your office so I want to see what changes were made from the original bill to be sure that the people on the task force feel that the bill is coming out the way they thought it was when they finished up their work. Thank you.

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Beutler, followed by Senator Hall. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I certainly want to speak in favor of the bill. I know we're on the amendment to the amendment but maybe this is as good a time as any to express some general philosophy. I think the public does want us to do something about campaign expenditure limitations. They are sick and tired of so much money being spent on campaigns and you and I and we all know that too much is being spent on campaigns. We also know from practical experience that it is hard to chase that around and track it down and try to pin it down. And one thing that the public doesn't understand, and they should understand, is that the Supreme Court has made it extremely difficult to limit campaign expenditures because they have ruled in Buckley v. Valeo that