

saying that this amendment, that's all I had, Senator Baack, as far as asking you. This amendment again gives the impression that there is going to be some money here to equalize things. There was a guy named Julefs (phonetic) or something like that who was running for Governor and he put up billboards all across the state spending hundreds of thousands of dollars, he had to. So this is the kind of individual, not him, but that's an example of what I mean so you won't think I'm just building this out of gossamer and thin air. This person has enough money to spend well over what the limits are suggested here and he says when he's going to run, I'm not going to abide by the limit. We know, and I have seen, how senators are affected by things that are given to them by lobbyists. When I was talking about the tobacco thing the other day, the tobacco industry will set up golf matches when the senators go to their conferences. They will fly senators to these various functions. They will give them \$1,000 to give a speech that is one minute long. You may have a company like ConAgra and there will be individuals in that company, this is an example and it's hypothetical, but ConAgra comes to mind so I ask Mike Harper not to be offended if he's listening or somebody tells him what I said. But these people in his company will write \$100 check for Senator Hall and then the company gives him a bonus. So the company is really giving the donation, but it doesn't show up. When we pass these laws we're dealing with people who are not going to play fair and in some cases we're playing dishonest. You cannot write a law that is going to stop that. All you can do is impinge upon the people who are trying to play fair. So since the ones who are not going to play fair are not going to play fair no matter what we do, don't pass a law that gives the public the impression that somehow we have imposed restrictions that have meaning. Let it stay wide open in the way that it is, let any candidate spend all the traffic will bear and if the public is indeed as upset as we say they are when this kind of legislation is considered, let the public throw out the ones who are spending all that money and if you tell me that the public will not do so, then maybe these people who are talking about term limits have a point, that there is no way to get rid of an incumbent no matter what and the voters will not throw those incumbents out. If that's the case, term limits would not be good. What you are need are not different candidates...

SENATOR WARNER: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...you need different voters. But because