

affect honest people who are going to play by whatever the rules are. But the dishonest ones for whom these laws are enacted to try to bring to heel, it means nothing. It means nothing. This Legislature cannot bring a clean thing out of an unclean thing. Is Carson Rogers here? Oh, I'm going to say it anyway. You cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. He gave me something that approximated...

SENATOR WARNER: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that. I made the comment and he did, a sow's ear with a purse but it had all kind of eruptions and other things on it. I might give it to Senator Pirsch for a gift and she can wear it as a pocketbook and see what she things of it. But in any rate, whatever we do here is going to be for no purpose. I see a picture of Senator Tsongas on the front of the newspaper. We have as much chance of restricting those people that we're trying to restrict this legislation as he has of being President of the United States and I have a better chance that he has got and I have no chance.

SENATOR WARNER: Is there further discussion? Seeing...Senator Chambers, your light is on again. Senator Johnson, do you wish to close?

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Well, Mr. President, to bring us back to the point I guess I would just say that if you're going to base a limit on the Legislature, base it on, if you want, population served or constituency served or whatever it might be but the example I used of the large amount of territory and people that you're going to serve in one office as related to another, it seems that actually this limit is probably backwards. Quite frankly, set the limit for the Legislature at 25 and in this case of the offices that cover substantially larger areas of population at a higher rate. That is also an alternative, but rather than do that I would simply ask that the amendment be changed from 25 to 50,000.

SENATOR WARNER: The motion pending is the Johnson amendment to the committee amendment. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Clerk, record.

CLERK: 21 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Johnson's amendment to the committee amendments.