

policies is, I think, ridiculous. You see, I sit on the Judiciary Committee and I have been there several times when the Attorney General has come with some of what I call his trash legislation, and the proof of it is that when I begin to ask him gentle questions, he hadn't thought about this factor, he hadn't thought about that one, and perhaps there are problems with the bill. He will sit there with a suit coat that's too big for him and kind of hunch down in it like he's trying to hide. And he has a lady who he always drags up to sit beside him, probably to deflect criticism or difficult questions, because men are known sometimes to hide behind the skirts of a woman. So this man, in my opinion, is not a capable lawyer. He is not capable when he presents legislation to various committees, at least the committee on which I sit. And for us, simply because he has the title, Attorney General, to back away when he gives his opinion which is only an opinion and the opinion of a person who is not that competent, in my humble opinion, is foolish. He can tell the Legislature where to go and the Legislature trembles. He doesn't own this Legislature. You all don't work for him. The Legislature, even though we allow it as an institution to be kicked around, to be ridiculed, to be scorned, is a coequal branch of this tripart-type government. The Legislature has all power to legislate. The Legislature has the power to set budgets, to appropriate money, to create responsibilities and limitations on the Attorney General's office. Again, because the bill is so important to Senator Withem, there is no way that I'm going to say or do anything that would impede this bill. My remarks go to another issue that I think is very important. And, along that line, I'm glad that the Governor did not allow that man to tell him how to run his office. He signed a bill that AG Stenberg, which stands for "Aspiring Governor", attempted to do. He's running off to Washington now saying, stop these appeals in the State of Nebraska, by God, Mr. President...they said, this isn't the President, you're talking to a flunky. Well, by God, tell the President...and I want the reporters to get this, that I am tired of these appeals and we can't stop them in Nebraska through the Legislature because they've got some dead cats on the lines who obstruct and we've got constituents in Nebraska who want people put in the electric chair and cook today if we can't get it done yesterday. And I want the people in Nebraska to know that their Attorney General is here campaigning for Governor...I mean, trying to get...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.