

avoid having to get 30 votes to suspend the rules. On this issue, maybe I would break my usual practice and suspend the rule so that you could try to do something. But, to be frank, I don't really know now what is being attempted. I thought the purpose of this amendment was to do something that's noble, to do some things that are really worthwhile. But they say in the court of equity, he who seeks equity must do equity. If you come to seek equity, you must come with clean hands. So how can we accomplish a clean thing by a method which itself is not clean? If we had always followed the principle that the end justifies the means, this would be right in line with it. But there are so many other times on so many other issues where we deny that means is justified...

SPEAKER BAACK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...by the end. Notice I said "the end" right when you said time.

SPEAKER BAACK: Very well done. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would also rise to support the Chair in its decision, but I may as well add another comment because I have another division up there of the question which essentially is Section 28, which I believe is the operative section for distributing the money. And the division of the question would divide each of those. I don't want to have to go through that effort, but because of the rule suspension there is no way to get to the amendment that I co-signed along with Senator Moore which was simply to put the funds into the General Fund to prepare for the cuts that we're going to be facing next session. I may not get another chance to say it so I'm going to say it now. I absolutely do not understand the University of Nebraska or the state colleges in here supporting brick and mortar when a year from now we'll be cutting programs and what common sense there is, if any, and there's none, there's absolutely none to build brick and mortar out there when we're going to come back and cut the funds as necessary to operate the programs that are going to be in there. I don't know what persuasion was used but we talked extensively this morning about the Medicaid problem on another bill that a lot of you recognized as a major problem. These aren't bad programs. I'm not opposed to them for that. They're all good things, obviously. Next year you're going to be cutting good