

wanted to ask Senator Matzke a question, and he and I haven't had a good set-to since his bill to do something about hazing. But he made it very clear that he has a very strong principle against civil penalties. His name is on this bill as a cosponsor. The civil penalty is being added by the committee amendment. So when Senator Matzke comes up here to vote, I am going to see what he does on this bill because I see him as a highly-principled man and he cut the guts out of one of my bills because he didn't like the civil penalty aspect of it and insisted that it be removed. So, Senator Matzke, you were in the Army, I say to you, front and center, but I want to make a comment about these general things that we are talking about in terms of campaign reform, which I think this is supposed to be. I don't know how this particular bill plays into the last bill, but the amounts that candidates can receive now are so high that the average person is precluded from having a realistic run for these offices anyway. And the amounts envisioned to be set are so high that an ordinary person is precluded from running with a realistic expectation of having a chance to win. Somebody made a remark about mousetraps and said, if you don't build a better mousetrap, the world will not beat a path to your door. But if you do build a better mousetrap, then the mice won't beat a better...won't beat a path to your door. I don't know who is in which role, but I want to ask Senator Brashear a question, since he is the primary introducer of this bill.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Brashear, do you agree with the committee amendment?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I do, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, now I am puzzled as to these amounts because I've never been at a level where these things affected me, but I do want to understand this bill. The 15,000 dollar limit during that first 30-day period deals only with loans and not contributions. Is that true?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So what this bill is dealing with, or let me ask it this way. Does this bill deal with anything other than