

deal with what they are talking about. That's how uninformed the public is. They say that members of the State Board of Education will be subject to these term limits unless the people of Nebraska vote the contrary. Well all they're saying by that is the way you amend the Constitution is submit an amendment proposal to the people and if the adopted the Constitution as amended, all kind of crazy, ignorant stuff like that is put into Nebraska's Constitution because a group outside this state paid circulators and paid people for signatures they obtained. Once the signatures had been bought and paid for the matter was put on the ballot and the uninformed public of Nebraska voted for it. If people want term limits as has been pointed out, they can vote against the person they send to the Legislature but they want term limits for everybody except the one they send down here. How ridiculous can the public be? And I think it is a mistake for people in public office who know better to pander to the ignorance of the public and say whatever you do is good and right because you do it. That is not true. Ignorant acts flowing from ignorance are not good and the results are...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...are the bunglesome type of incoherence which now we find in the Constitution relative to this idea of term limits. I don't have confidence in the public when it comes to amending the Constitution. The public plays no part in drafting the amendment. That is put together by one or two or very few people. There is no discussion, there is no debate, there is no amendment as occurs on the floor of this Legislature if we attempt such a thing. I have no confidence in the public. I wouldn't even want the power to amend the Constitution to be given strictly and solely to the people who voted to send me to the Legislature. As smart as I think they were in sending me, they're not smart in everything and they sent me because they have confidence in my desire and my intent to inform myself on the issues and to know more about them than those people do who don't have the time, the inclination and in some instances not the understanding.

SENATOR CROSBY: Time. Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President and members of the body, just one comment, Senator Chambers. I think he underrates the public on what they know, but that isn't what I got up...I want to ask Senator Hall a question.