

forcibly out of that studio. He said that he was put in a cruiser car and driven around for 20 minutes, then released at some building somewhere in Atlanta, Georgia, and now he's saying this is a disgrace to the whole country. Well, the whole country is laughing. They say he should have known what his place is. Well, he had read those articles where when he would go talk to these white groups they would say how delightful he is, how he electrifies the crowds. He talks about family values. He is against gays. He is against black people being lazy. He thinks everybody ought to work. He thinks the "Repelican" party is the greatest thing in the world, and he never got quite 1 percent of the vote from these white people who loved him so much. Well, when...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...Senator Wesely is saying, although not as graphically, these groups and the interests that Senator Avery's amendment address are not worthy to be placed in this bill and given equal status with those who currently are in the bill; that they are to be just brushed aside in the interest of maintaining flexibility and openness, flexibility to bring the same old good-old-boy network into play and operation to do what it is they want to do for political reasons, and then have the Legislature be left holding the bag. Senator Avery has an amendment that again I say is worthy of consideration, but I will not support it because I don't want to improve the bill, and I'm going to turn my light on and suggest some language, Senator Avery.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Withem, followed by Senators Bernard-Stevens, Vrtiska, Avery, Wesely, and Chambers.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I will not be voting for the Avery amendment, and let me discuss with you a second or two why. Some, and it varies, and I think a lot of us just respond to these issues based on our gut reaction. Sometimes we create boards and commissions that have...that are very carefully designed and have a slot for each and every individual who may, in fact, have work that comes...issued that have come before that commission. Other times we try to create commissions that will not take a specific policy turf and try to control that, but will take a broad-range