

Disclosure Commission.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Are you sure?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: I'm not certain.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay. If we could get an answer to that question at some point, maybe not today, but if we can get an answer, I would appreciate that and I'll be looking as well. I assume it's the Accountability as well. The other question I have is a more serious in nature, and I do take this part very seriously on the bill, and that is the original concept that you had in the bill was a twenty-four hour.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, sir.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: The committee chose to keep it the same as it is now. What was your rationale for putting a twenty-four hours in the beginning in the green copy?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: My rationale in the beginning was that in this day and age of instant data transmission, that it would be, I thought, relatively easy to make the report in timeliness. Abbreviating the time made the report more meaningful.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Was there anything in your logic that also included the fact that large contributions could be made at the very end and it would be advisable for the public, at least, to understand where those dollars came from at the last minute, bit of an election?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Absolutely.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: That's the key portion that was taken out in the committee amendments that I strongly object to right now. If we're going to recognize that we have large entities, whether they be PACs, businesses, or what have you, that can, from time to time, give large contributions that may tip the tide on an election if it's very tight and a candidate needs \$10,000 or \$20,000 at the last minute for a last minute specialized TV blitz or radio blitz, the twenty-four hour concept that Senator Brashear had in the green copy made sense that, yeah, it might inconvenient for them to get the things filed, but it could be done, it must be done, and the people