

would make assistance available. Any other student who's not an athlete can receive any amount of money or assistance or things of value from anybody willing to give it. An athlete has all these doors closed, cannot even work except when school is not in session, so there is no way that that athlete can earn enough money in those few months to provide...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time. Senator Chambers, your light is on.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I'll continue that, to provide what is needed. So the NCAA, as ridiculous as it is, is finally starting to recognize the fact that these athletes cannot make it through school without violating some of these foolish rules that restrict them to such a great extent. So if you have two poor kids from the same neighborhood, one an athlete and the other not, the one who's not an athlete can accept money from gamblers, from the coach, from anybody who wants to give him or her money, can work any job even if no work is performed and the money paid is out of all proportion to the work done or no work at all. If an athlete gets a job, they're going to examine that job and make sure that the amount the athlete gets is no more than what anybody else gets for that job, and that the amount is in keeping with what they determine the job ought to pay. These athletes have to forego their rights to privacy in terms of their grades and other school records, which no other student has to do. So rather than go through all of these things in a laundry list, I'll summarize it by saying that there are restrictions on the athletes which are not on others who go to the school. And because the athletes will have given something to the school, will have made it possible for the school to literally make millions, there is something owed to the athletes. The NCAA rules right now say you can't give anything. So after the athlete has exhausted eligibility, but still may not have graduated, this money would be available to at least help those who see a value in education, to get what they were promised when they came to the school, but because of the load that athletics put on them, they were not able to achieve.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: You finished, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, this is my time.