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about a serious matter confronting them. But we have to put into law something to protect grown men and women from telephone calls. What kind of people live in this state who don't know how to hang up a telephone. I'd like to ask Senator Smith a question, if he's here. Oh, he's not here. I would like to ask Senator...Senator Friend, I would like to ask you a question. This is not going to engage you in a long debate. Have you received a letter from anybody complaining to you about the fact that they have a telephone which cannot be hung up?

SENATOR FRIEND: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Has anybody in your district complained because they receive phone calls and they are so caught up by that caller that they lose the ability to hang up the telephone?

SENATOR FRIEND: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. He answered those questions better than Senator Smith probably would have. Yet, legislation is going to be brought before us to do that. My view is being jaundiced by the discussions we're having here today, so some of you all who are supporting Senator Foley understand that you are giving me a new slant on legislation you're bringing. These young women don't need this kind of protection? Then don't you be bringing any bills in here to protect constituencies that you have who are able to look out for themselves. Some people are going to try to get us to increase the tax on motor fuel to fund ethanol. Yet, to produce ethanol requires more energy than the amount that will be produced by the ethanol. And you think I'm going to support some kind of crazy, cockeyed legislation like that? But it's going to be brought before us. I read where a farmer said that he is told constantly that if there is more ethanol produced in this state, they'll buy more of his corn, not knowing who "they" are. But it hasn't worked that way. Yet, they want to check off more money from the corn he produces, Senator Loudon, because there are speculators and investors who want to make others pay the cost of speculative proposals of theirs. And my colleagues sitting here in their magnificent hypocrisy, saying these young women don't need that protection, yet they're going to ask us to give money to these