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only effect a grant of state money to a candidate if the opponent is so inept that they fail to file the proper papers to avoid giving of the money. The act, I think, was intended to be a punishment...a reward system to limit campaign cost. It does create a lot of legal "jump through the hoops" type of action. I don't think our taxpayers' dollars should go for this type of activity. I would be willing to listen to a proposal that would be reasonable and put some real spending limitation on campaigns. I don't think it has probably affected any legislative campaign since this has started. I can think of some high-profile legislative campaigns, Senator Beutler, that did attract a lot of money. I think when Cap Dierks ran the first time against John DeCamp, I think DeCamp's fund-raising ability was enormous, for whatever reason. But it didn't work. Senator Dierks beat him anyway. I can think of Carson Rogers, although he was probably under the limitation, spent a lot of money, and I think former Senator Schmitt spent less than \$100 and won that campaign. My guess is that Carson probably spent around \$40,000. Money doesn't buy you elections. And there's ways to get around money. If you want a flyer sent out, you can get an organization to do it, and you don't have to account for it. So there can be a lot of expenditures in favor of somebody's campaign that doesn't have to be accountable for. So the loopholes here, and the fact that you have to really mess up for your opponent to get taxpayers' money--and I've never heard anybody say that my taxpayer's dollar should go to somebody's campaign--are so large that I think we should start over from scratch. And I'd be willing to listen to a reasonable proposal. Unless you can come up with an amendment to amend this one so that I think it does work, which I doubt that can be done under the time frame we have, I think the best thing to do is repeal this and start over next session. With that, if I have any remaining time, I'll give it to Senator Brashear.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear, about 2 minutes and 20 seconds.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Thank you, Senator Schrock. I will develop, in other opportunities to visit with you, I'll try to develop completely the theme that I think is self-evident in what I explained thus