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I don't think he's bought a lot of ads to achieve that notoriety. I believe it has appeared in the press for free. A candidate who is unknown, maybe a wonderful candidate, but unknown, has to overcome that name recognition. How do they do that? Well, they have to either buy advertising, they have to mail pieces, they have to knock on doors, they have to meet with people, and somehow get their message out. So I keep asking people to think about, does equal really mean equal? And then of course there are the wealthy, who can certainly fund their own campaign, and yet within our campaign finance act, we limit the amount that a person can take from other people. To the wealthy, this is no challenge, because in fact they can just write the check. And then we look at the trigger that is in there for government funds, and in reality, most candidates who come into their first election don't even know how to work the system, and by the time the finance act triggers their release of any kind of funds, it's too late to buy advertising time, it's too late to put together a mailing. So I believe that while the goals of the act are laudable, the results raise more questions that I think the public needs to debate. I'm not going to support the bracket motion, because I think the debate is necessary.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. Senator Bromm.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. This bill represents somewhat of a dilemma, I think, for me, and probably for others on the floor as well. In principle, I support the proposition that it's better to have a moderate or a reasonable amount spent on campaigns than an exorbitant amount. And in principle, I think people should have an opportunity to run for office and a reasonable chance of success if they work hard at the campaign and are able to put together sufficient monies to run a decent campaign to get their name out. And I would think that we would generally all support those principles. I think Nebraskans aren't the kind of people, generally, that like to see elections purchased by the wealthy. That doesn't mean that someone who