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of the people by putting it on the ballot. I do not believe that I should shirk my responsibility by saying, well, put it on the ballot, let the public vote for it. We are supposed to have information that they don't have, and I do, because I study, I take seriously my job. I do have more information than the public at large. And when people sent me down here, they did not send me down here to reflect ignorance. They did not send me down here to knuckle under to lobbyists. They did not send me down here to taint the constitution. They sent me down here to be an example to those people who think they're better than us, and show them how their government ought to work, show them how they ought to respect their constitution, and show them by pointing out the breaches that occur in all their hypocritical posturing about constitutions, laws, rules, and the proper way to do things. Is this what they're talking about imposing in Iraq, in Afghanistan? I mention that, because some of my colleagues get a burr under their saddle when I talk about something outside the state of Nebraska. But there's a big world out there besides what's in Nebraska, and whether they know it or not, things that happen outside Nebraska impact Nebraska. And anything I say on a bill that is talking about how money is spent is germane to that bill. And as Senator Kristensen pointed out, you cannot enforce that rule. And I wish this Legislature would show how stupid they really are, by trying to expel me. I wish you would do it. I wish you would tell the State Trooper to come down here and take me off the floor of the Legislature. I wish you would you would try to do it. You dare not. So don't hurl those veiled threats and challenges at me, because I will not...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...fold as the cowards on this floor will fold, as you did on LR 209CA. You know that's what you did, and I'm going to keep rubbing your face in it for the rest of the session. I'm going to make you all stick with those 31 votes, because if you don't, people are going to say, Ernie scared you off. So you've got to stay there. I'm going to make you stay there. And then I'm going to talk about you on other matters when you stand on this floor and pontificate about fiscal responsibility. And I'm going to take a vote on my motion.