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change or disregard your own rules, and I will show the nature of this Legislature. You can't do it in a corner. It has to be done out in the open, and I'm going to make you do it in the open. You will not make me shrivel up and walk away and crawl into a hole like the rest of you will do. I will fight you toe-to-toe and face-to-face, and I will not blink first. I do care about these women, and I may offer an amendment to every provision in the budget bill so I can talk about the Women's Commission. I don't want Senator Schrock to think that because I worked with him on the Hergert case that I've become an advocate of all the positions he takes. He represents the Game and Parks Commission, and he has made it clear by the positions he takes. I know it, you all know it. The Game and Parks Commission is not to be touched. Well, I'll do what I can to touch it, and you can vote against the amendment. But LB 424 is a bill amenable to other amendments. I will get my time even if I can't get justice for the people that I think are entitled to it. The Game and Parks Commission gets grants from the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund. When they get the money, it's not available to and for anybody else or any other interest. Do I care about wildlife habitat? We all do. Do I care about improving the environment? We all do, until we're talking about the DEQ and big businesses and companies...

SENATOR JANSSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that mightily pollute the environment. Then we're suddenly not so concerned about improving the environment. Remember, I've told you all and I'll tell you again, I don't compartmentalize my life. All of these things affect everything else. The environment does not come into being only when you're talking about wildlife habitat in the context that Senator Schrock feels comfortable and his Game and Parks Commission feel comfortable. The environment is with us all the time. Since they got this money from the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, I don't want the state to take money and match it, put their, the state's money, on top of it. Where does the Environmental Trust Fund get its money? That's for others to say, but I know where Game and Parks is coming to get some money. They're coming to this Legislature.