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reason I brought it. Yes, the election and the ads that I heard bothered me, because I had gone through an election two years earlier where a lot of negative ads were run against me.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time is up, Senator Beutler and Senator Schrock...I mean Senator Brashear. Senator Brown, followed by Senator Erdman, Senator Friend, Senator Schimek, Senator Smith, and eight others. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Mr. President. Well, I guess that I will speak initially to the Friend amendment, because I'm absolutely in opposition to the Friend amendment. I think I am most probably in opposition to what we're doing here today, unless somebody can tell me what it is we are doing. I don't know Mr. Hergert. I have met him at a social event for the university once. We had a conversation about chicory and its economic impact on the state. That is very probably the only thing that I would agree with him on. I am deeply troubled by what I see as the pattern of activity that is a part of this, not the specific incidences, because the...Senator Brashear has passed out a sheet about some legislation that Hergert violated that resulted in the greatest part of the fine. That was legislation that I worked with Senator Brashear to sponsor. I am also a cosponsor with Senator Brashear in the repeal of the Campaign Finance Limitation Act. But I do believe that we need to be deeply troubled by the pattern of activity of Mr. Hergert. What I don't know is what we can do about it. Senator Schrock says we can't do nothing. I believe, prior to all of this happening, in previous items of impeachment, when I had spent some time with the constitution, with some of the other case law, that we cannot do anything in terms of impeachment. When I listened to Senator Beutler, I didn't really hear what it is we can do. When I listened to Senator Schrock, I didn't hear what it is we can do. I think it poses some questions for us, in terms of...the severity of this would have suggested to me that someone, Mr. Blank, since he was the one that was involved in it, should have filed a challenge to Hergert being seated as a regent. I don't know why that didn't happen. Do we believe in the processes that we put in place to deal with people who break our laws, the Accountability and Disclosure? And if so, are we going to support those processes? Or are we just going to say,