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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is there any requirement that there be political balance on this board?

SENATOR BAKER: I don't think so.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What is his political affiliation based on the box he marked?

SENATOR BAKER: Republican.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you believe that he was telling the truth when he marked that box?

SENATOR BAKER: I have no reason to disagree with the mark, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, he marked "Repelican," didn't he?

SENATOR BAKER: He marked it Republican.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Have you ever heard of a guy named Abramoff?

SENATOR BAKER: No, I have not.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Heard of a guy named DeLay?

SENATOR BAKER: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Are you a "Repelican"?

SENATOR BAKER: No, I'm a Republican.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Your answers indicate why I said the fact that he marked that may raise the question as to whether the truth is being told because if you don't know it, I know that you've heard of Abramoff and I know you've heard of DeLay.

SENATOR BAKER: I thought you said have I heard from them. I've heard of them, but I've not heard from them.