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expressing the position of the committee in that regard.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But I'm asking you for your position, Senator Don Pederson. Let me give an analogy. You have a basketball team consisting of five players on the court at any given time. And you see a flagrant miscall by a referee. You're the coach. The referee made a blatantly bunglesome call. As the coach, do you say, well, I don't think my players ought to be cheated but the referee cheated so I'll just accept that? Would that be your attitude if you were the coach?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I don't believe I would ask for a consensus of my players as to whether I thought I should do something.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But would you express some dissatisfaction with what the referee had done?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I think I would make it known.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And now you're in a position where, as an individual, you can make known what you believe about the importance of the arts, can't you? Or when you become Chair of a committee, do you relinquish your discretion and the freedom of choice that you have to support the things that you think are important? Is that one of the duties that a Chairman assumes?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Senator Chambers, personally, I'm on the Nebraska Humanities Council. So I have more than a slight interest in the arts. But I'm also the elected Chair of the Appropriations Committee. The committee has voted not to override in this respect and I'm expressing that opinion. I don't think that...

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...that I should be asked a personal opinion in that regard because I'm here in a representative capacity.