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see a comment by one of the top officials in the NCAA when a bill like this was enacted by the Legislature in 1988. There is no jeopardy to the university because the bill does not take effect unless and until at least three other legislatures that have teams in the Big Twelve Conference enact similar legislation allowing stipends. During the period of time before that will happen, if it ever does, I expect there to be a tremendous amount of national debate relative to the restrictions on assistance to big time college athletes. That debate is already taking place. Never has it been so focused, never has it been so intense. There is no issue that has confronted the university that has generated this kind of debate. No bill introduced in the Legislature and supported by the Governor has ever generated this kind of national debate. When the state lost an appeal or a case in the nuclear waste dispute, that did not generate national debate. When a bill was introduced to ban fetal tissue research by the Medical Center, that did not generate national debate. But as soon as a bill was introduced that would give some economic fair play to football players, the nation lit up and the NCAA knows that there is nothing in this bill that will jeopardize the university's eligibility. So why has it launched a program that can be called "Damage Control?" Why has it criticized a bill which the NAACP says, I meant the NCAA says cannot stand court scrutiny? Because, first of all, the bill can withstand it. Secondly, it's not going to have any impact requiring the university to pay a stipend when it is enacted. But every time a step is taken with this bill, additional debate takes place, additional legislators show an interest, the athletics establishments and the sports industry, through the universities, including the NFL, the National Football League. The National Basketball Associations have taken an interest. The discussion will demonstrate, as I bring you information, that the restrictions placed on the football players are all economic motivated and driven. The NCAA, contrary to what a lot of people think, was not created to regulate intercollegiate athletics. It was brought into existence because of football. Football brought it into existence. Football sustains it and football players are in a category by themselves. In the 1880s and '90s, activities on the intercollegiate level that involved sports were not organized by the schools but by the students.