

in my mind. I would like to have a couple questions answered from Senator Pappas or Senator Haberman. I know the wheat growers called for opposing Senator Vickers' amendment on lobbying for public office and whether or not this bill in their mind still prohibits lobbying on the state or the national level for public office. If it does, I hope that the proponents of the bills will realize that this will kill the checkoff funds and that any time that we have boards appointed and not elected with no responsibility and no accountability, I wonder how much they are going to accomplish and what they are going to accomplish. I, for one, if I could see in any way that this would help support the price of our grain or sale of our products and education and research, I would certainly be for it. But somehow or another what I see in this is one commodity board going one way, one the other. I think it is very obvious right now, only the wheat and corn boards want this. The other, the sorghum growers, apparently the beef and so on, they don't even want this ability. I think they have it right there right now to go back to Washington to speak on farm programs and to put their input in. From what I gather, I believe that we saw this out at the University yesterday. We saw lobbyists for the corn growers. We saw farm organizations and no one could really get together and their act put together. I think the farm organizations are the ones that are with the farmers to speak for the farmers and if Senator Haberman, Senator Pappas or Rogers can show me that this would not influence legislation for particular interests without accountability and no refund, I will reverse my position and I will work very much for it because if there is anything at all that we can do to improve agriculture and I can see that it is an improvement, I will be here to work for it, but I would like those questions answered from one of them. Are these funds definitely not used for political purposes in either level, state or national level?

PRESIDENT: Do you want Senator Pappas, to answer a question?

SENATOR NELSON: Please.

SENATOR PAPPAS: Yes, I will answer it. Mr. President and colleagues, in answer to several of Arlene's questions, one, the first one the way the bill is now, no, definitely they cannot use it to contribute to political campaigns. And that is one thing I feel very strongly about too at the