

PRESIDENT: They must listen.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But we can't make them listen. You can lead a horse to water, you can't make him drink. You can lead people to school, but you can't make them think. And by having them sitting in the Legislature looking interested doesn't mean that they are listening. But I bet I have got one thing I can tell them that will make them listen. A certain group which shall remain unnamed caused the cancellation of that gathering that was to occur in Kearney tomorrow. While talking about freedom and not wanting their rights abridged, they put pressure on the businesses in Kearney to make them take down signs and posters describing the meeting. They put pressure on the corporate offices, the corporate headquarters of Holiday Inn to close it because the local manager I talked to personally yesterday and he had no problem with the meeting. He said he would be concerned if it was going to occur in a barn someplace because then you might have people fomenting violence. But by being open and the media and the law enforcement people being involved, he saw no problem. So I venture to say that that act of trying to prevent people from expressing their point of view may be viewed by some people as a terrible thing, yet the Legislature on its last vote did the very same thing by preventing the discussion of a legitimate legislative issue. It seems there is a spirit abroad in the land to cut off discussion of those things we choose not to hear. Twenty-nine people in this Legislature would rather I not express certain points of view. So since they could not stop me in the beginning, they came along behind to try to bring about an intimidating atmosphere, I guess, to prevent me from saying such things in the future. But I won't be silenced and there are others who will not be silenced. And when this society or groups in this society take action to prevent others from expressing, even expressing their point of view though it is protected by the Constitution, they cause those groups to look to other types of activities. Instead of preventing something, that something is provoked. But, Mr. Chairman, I don't have a position on my amendment which I think anybody would not want me to talk about unless they could have anticipated that I would say the kind of things that I said already. This amendment simply removes the word "Nebraska" from the name of these two funds wherever those names will appear in the statutes. Personally, with the bigger issues that I see surfacing in