

perceives a problem. Initiative 300, it is economic problems in agriculture. This bill, it is the fear, the fear of somebody out there, the boogey man syndrome that somebody hates somebody, somebody is going to destroy somebody, somebody is going to overturn the country, this type of thing. And then both of them start out with exactly the same initial solution, throw a huge blanket and outlaw everything that is any perceived or potential or even available threat. Bankers who are part of the financial economy, they are suddenly turned into greedy bankers and evil. Corporations who are a fundamental part of the thing, they are suddenly turned into the evil corporations. Individuals who, obviously, have strong feelings about the country one way or another or about this or that, they are perceived out there as being out there evil. Throw the blanket out and get everything. But what happens? What happens when you throw the complete blanket out as occurs with these kind of laws? The first thing you have to do is start building in all the exceptions, one, two, three, four, five. This shall not apply to, this shall not apply to, this shall not apply to. And because you can't anticipate every exception, because you can't know in advance everything, it is just what one member after another happens to see as the exception that is needed. About the moment you get the bill passed, somebody remembers some other one or some activity comes into play that wasn't accepted and you suddenly discover, by golly, we did do a lot more. So when it came to eggs with Initiative 300, or cattle with Initiative 300, or bank trust companies, we all discovered they were outlawed but they were never intended. Well, what you will discover here eventually is "some conduct was outlawed but, gosh, we never intended that." And I get back and harken back to my original point, criminal laws, particularly when they deal with thoughts, what people can say, what people can think, what people can feel, what you can feel, emotions, criminal laws that make your emotions and your thoughts and your attitudes and beliefs illegal, by golly, you better be pretty careful what you are outlawing and what you are making criminal. Senator Beutler correctly stated it. He said, yes, we are coming real, real, real close to the constitutional limits. We are just brushing right up against the Constitution. I would submit you are not brushing up against the Constitution. You leapfrogged over that wall with legislation like this that is strictly a mind of the beholder as to what is outlawed or not outlawed...