

if you could, the example would break down because the recovery is going to have to go partially for expenses already incurred and ongoing expenses. It's not a situation in most cases where a person received an injury, has recovered from it and gets a million dollars which some people would deem a windfall. Some people require around the clock care. Their homes have to be modified, they have specially modified vehicles and sometimes even when it comes to the bodily functions, another person has to be there to help with that. So a million dollars, when you've suffered a catastrophic injury, is not a great deal. You have not become a wealthy person and that is not a windfall. What this Legislature is saying is that to stay in good favor with the lobbyists of the political subdivisions the interest of the public at large must be sacrificed. Those political subdivisions are abstract entities. The individuals who will be hurt are human beings, individuals who exist in this biological world. But as in so many cases the Legislature doesn't really have that concern for the person who is harmed. Legislators like to talk about compassion without being compassionate, like to talk about generosity without being generous, loves to talk about taking care of the halt, the lame, the blind, the hungry, the ill, the aged, but has no stomach to do those things necessary to bring some reality to those words. So, Senator Hoagland's amendment which is a good one probably will be voted down, but that is to be expected in a legislature. Regrettably, there is no requirement of anything to be a member of a legislature other than probably being a certain age and outside the penitentiary and living in the district you say that you live in, and you might not really have to do that. But these are some of those sorrowful times for some of us who have seen individuals damaged. I think that's one of the reasons these political subdivisions never ask me to be water carriers for them, the doctors nor the lawyers, nor any of those who are coming along to take something out of the heart of the people. This is a very reasonable, a very modest proposal and I'm strongly in support of it and will cast my vote in favor of it. I wish that somebody other than Senator Hannibal were doing this because Senator Hannibal is a better man than what this bill would indicate.

SENATOR LAMB: Thirty seconds, Senator.

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