

that was not my intent. But a lot of people, Senator Warner, have hooked up the long hairs and the beards in a conspiracy against the short hairs and the clean shaven, but at any rate on this particular bill, I want to point out and use as my launching position that amendment yesterday that Senator Johnson offered with reference to the Revenue Department. People were in general agreement that it was a sound resolution, that the arguments supporting the motion were valid, that the issue was one of effective and efficient collection of revenue, but because of the fear that there might be other efforts to amend the bill and we would stay here beyond Friday, after so much time has been spent in special sessions, so much time was wasted through the regular session by ignoring and evading the issue that still remains with us, I think this bill ought not pass. It is a misrepresentation to the public. It is going to create needless problems in certain agencies and for certain people which problems are not justified by the small amount of good, if any, that is to be accomplished. I think the strategy is to try to get this bill passed, then together with the tobacco lobby and the others to make sure that the income tax does not pass and that the tobacco tax will not pass. There are lobbyists who are on both sides of that issue so they are telling the people who are interested in the income tax raise kill the tobacco tax raise and then we, who are also working for the University, will help you get the income tax raise.

SPEAKER NICHOL: (Gavel.) Excuse me, Senator Chambers, please hold your conversation down. It is distracting to the rest of us. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: This is mainly to the record and it doesn't distract me (interruption).

SPEAKER NICHOL: But it does distract me.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, okay, okay, Senator Nichol, and I am pleased that you are interested or at least giving the appearance of being so. This is a situation where after the bill passes, which it probably will, the main problem that this special session was designed to grapple with is still going to be untouched. I don't believe, and I have said it in the beginning, that there are 33 votes here for the income tax bill. This special session now is not dealing with the fiscal problems of the state. It is a struggle