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Did you see the disrespect towards our state senator Jean Fuller?

Earlier in this newscast, I showed a video of our state senator and minority whip in Sacramento a short speech on the floor of the senate chambers. This editorial is not about the comments or the topic of the speech. It’s about how her fellow senators were conducting themselves.

Two senators couldn’t care less about was she was saying. Instead, it was the seating of a young boy to watch that got their attention. Another senator came and said hi to the young boy. Then another senator came in and sat down by the boy. The two senators picked up their phones and started reading or texting on them. Neither of them gave any attention to what she was saying. Is that rude or what? Can you imagine our city council doing that? What if they sat up and held private conservations amongst themselves while people spoke from the podium? We would put up with that for 1 minute. It just goes to show how little regard the liberals in Sacramento value anything the republicans have to say. They control the assembly. They control the senate. What do they care about a republican or conservative point of view? Nothing.

You’d think that the speaker of the senate would at least require that attending senators at least be seated and listen. At least act like they care about what the speaker is saying. God forbid, they might even hear something that makes sense. They are so under the pompous attitude that they just let the opposition spout off, and then just ignore anything they say and do what they want. Not what we may want them to do, but what they want to do. After all, they know what we need better than we do. I don’t care that a young boy got to sit there. That’s fine, I guess. What were these men teaching this young boy? They were teaching him that being rude is ok. Ignoring a person that has the floor is ok. Disrespect for a fellow senator is ok. This is outrageous conduct. If they didn’t want to hear what she had to say, get out of the chamber. Don’t just horse around in the background. Show some respect. Even sitting there texting is a touch better than talking and joking around with another senator behind her. These guys were just waiting for her to get done with the obligatory time she was allowed, so they could just ignore everything she said and pass the bill. If anyone thinks that’s working with the other side of the aisle, I have a bridge I’d like to sell you. That’s the conduct of some of our elected officials. I wish those elitist know-it-alls were our representatives. I’d do everything I could to hold them accountable for their rude behavior.

The two political sides are so far apart, they don’t even respect the other side’s right to speak, let alone work together. When they won’t even take 3 minutes to listen to the minority speaker, these elitist liberals are not nice people. They show no respect for the opposition. Showing no respect for the opposition even shows a total disrespect of our supposed democratic system.

In conclusion, these politicians should start respecting each other. When someone is speaking, is it too much to ask to just sit there and at least make it look like you are listening? Is it better to show your complete lack of respect for your peer, by talking, joking around, texting, and just completely ignoring a fellow senator? Mr. Speaker, I rest my case, and yield back to the chair.

I’m Tom Wiknich, and that’s what I think. I’d like to know what you think. If you have any comments about this editorial, or would like to discuss or recommend a topic, I’d like to hear from you. Please email them to [info@kzgn.net](mailto:INFO@KZGN.NET).