

It Is Not Their Money

Two commonly asked questions are in fact interrelated. Why administrators, bureaucrats, and government officials (1) appear not to care about what anything costs, and (2) why they get away with squandering taxpayer money on airplanes, ridiculous lawsuits, lavish trips, etc.?

The short answer to the first question is that IT IS NOT THEIR MONEY. It is not Governor Barbour's money. It is not Commissioner Bounds' money. It is not President Saunders' money. Why should they care? Who is going to do anything about it?

If one of them, like recently departed IHL Commissioner Meredith, is taken to task and allowed to "resign" for receiving "free" yard services — at taxpayer cost — it is because the money is an excuse to fire him? Is it an instrument of other administrators, bureaucrats, and government officials rather than the cause?

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