

Dear Brian,

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I am writing to voice a complaint about being cut off after finally getting thru. I was calling concerning a newspaper article I had sent from the Middletown NY Times Record concerning Kings Joel Village and you had asked me a question and I could hardly hear you and the next thing I knew I was cut off. Do you have someone that monitors/listens in on calls and maybe pulls the plug at times? I was also cut off in Jan '98 (the only other time I got thru) but this was by the lady moderator before I was halfway thru my short statement. Neither time was what I was saying controversial.

I watch your show everyday for the 3 hours and hear all sorts of things from callers and very few get cut off unless they are unreasonable or obnoxious, so I hope my cut offs were accidental. Is there any way you can address it?

I was going to finish my statement by saying that the media doesn't say much about the ~~the~~ dollar amount that



is spent on aids/HIV sickness vs that spent on what they call tobacco related illness. The whole tobacco thing seems to be for the huge amount of money that the taxes will bring to the Treasury. There are laws in every state prohibiting sales to minors so all they have to do is enforce them. It seems that elected officials at all levels can really get involved in the easy ones like tobacco and can't/don't want to get involved with drugs or alcohol, probably more addictive than tobacco.

I hope you got to read the Kiryas Joel article because I found it real interesting as to how people can do these things and get away with it. Many of them, as the article points out, have multiple Social Security numbers and etc. plus what else the article alleges.