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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

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### **Insider trading by pols**

I find it interesting that seven people have been charged with insider trading, something that our government says is illegal. It was part of a \$78 million scheme, the newspaper said, and 63 suspects were arrested in New York.

The traders apparently were telling former employees and friends what was going to happen in the market, so that they could make money before it was publicly reported.

Meanwhile, the newspaper reported that, within the last several months, our elected politicians are doing the same thing, using information on future legislation being passed in the Senate and the House.

Will someone please tell me what is the difference between this illegal insider trading in the market and the same thing being done by our elected officials in Washington?

Where are the investigations and the prosecutions of House and Senate members of this illegal trading? I forgot, these politicians have different rules they passed for themselves. Wouldn't it be nice if they were subjected to the same rules they pass for you and me?

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