

## ***THEY ARE BOTH NAMED JIM BUT THAT'S WHERE IT ENDS***

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Calhoun and Hansen, that is. Jim Calhoun's recent outburst has garnered scorn all over the nation because as an employee of the State of Connecticut, he makes 1.6 million dollars, though he brings in 12 million. Because he is a government employee, someone asked him, since we are in tough times, if he should have his salary slashed. Yet HE TOOK A marginally profitable program for the state and by it making so much money now, fuels other state programs. And just for the record, how many sports in state schools operate at a loss on the taxpayers dime? I suspect the same kind of clowns that are demanding to know what Paterno makes (they got it thrown back in their face, as they could not create the class envy that this guy asking him was trying to, and apparently succeeded in doing).

Now how is it, a man making that after we subtract his salary, and not even look at all the charities he has raised money for, still is in charge of a program that is making over 10 million dollars for Connecticut, arguably paying the salaries of others who may not be helping the state out of the red, and we see him attacked, but not JIM HANSEN. The same kind of ilk that takes apart Calhoun gives Hansen, a federal government employee, who ironically enough is trying to send this country deeper into debt by his proclamations. He gets a free pass with his outrageous and factually debatable, if not simply deceptive, assertions.

And you think this global warming debate is about science, Give me a break. If it was, it would be as Al Gore says, a done deal...the opposite way that they see things. When you see the media the way they are and look at the facts you can see the common thread in all of this is a political agenda. Sports, weather, news, you name it, the same kind of thing is going on. They are both named Jim, both working for "government entities. One has earned what he has done in sport, and by being profitable to a tune of over 10 million dollars, assuming the state authorities used it correctly, helped many around him. The other... you be the judge.