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to a decline of 12 percent in the number of teenagers who would otherwise begin smoking. Let's do that one again. A 10 percent increase in the price of tobacco would lead to a decline of 12 percent in the number of teenagers who would otherwise begin to smoke, this document from the tobacco industry itself. That's why they're out there fighting this bill tooth and nail. They can't prove the argument Senator Janssen, Senator Engel and Senator Baker make and, in fact, their internal documents prove exactly the opposite. They say it inside Philip Morris--you raise prices and fewer teenagers start to smoke.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time. Thank you, Senator Landis. For discussion on the amendment to the amendment to LB 505, Senator Preister, followed by Senator Aguilar, Vrtiska, Raikes, Suttle, Wickersham, Thompson, Beutler, and Stuhr.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all. I rise to ask Senator Landis a couple of questions and perhaps he could answer. Senator Landis, I...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Landis.

SENATOR PREISTER: ...I got a call from a constituent or a message from a constituent who said that statistics show that increases in the cost of cigarettes does not lead to a reduction in smoking, that it does not affect what happens with teenagers. And I've heard you say a couple of times now and I think when you just spoke you said and cited an actual industry document that was contrary to what my constituent call said. Could you perhaps restate what you just said about the industry's own information and cite that document again?

SENATOR LANDIS: I'll be happy to. Understand that the tobacco litigation allowed for discovery, which is where, pursuant to a lawsuit, you can ask for certain documents which are owned by the other side, but they're used to prove the issues in the case. The documents that I've been referring to are documents that were made available as part of the discovery of tobacco litigation, and they happen to constitute two interoffice memos in Philip Morris, one of them dated in 1981, one of them dated in 1987. You might remember that this litigation was in the early nineties to the mid-nineties and then it provoked the