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Again, the state of Nebraska is spending \$48 million a year in tobacco-related Medicaid costs. That's substantial. Go into a nursing home sometime. My mother-in-law is in one. Look at the number of people in those nursing homes that are hauling that oxygen bottle around behind them; oxygen because they are suffering from emphysema, which is one of the most serious dilibate...debilitating, how do you say that, diseases that there are that really does hurt individuals on their activity and their moving from place to place. It is such a shameful thing to see those individuals have to drag that bottle everywhere they go because of a smoking-related disease. I would just appeal to you that I think that we can save the youth, we can save the adults. Many will quit. That's the objective of this tax, and then it will also help in our shortfall that we have in our budget. I would just ask that you would support this...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...for the health-related reasons that I have stated. With that, I will return the rest of my time back to the Chair before I die.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise to oppose the amendment. I supported 20 cents. I guess I might consider 30 percent, as Senator Landis outlined, and so forth. It's 12- and 13-years-old is what we hear from Senator Foley. We heard it from Senator Jensen, and so forth. That is illegal because I think in this state you have to be 18 to purchase and smoke. Where is our law enforcement? If there's all these kids outside the Lincoln schools, where are the police? Where is our enforcement? Where are the...where are the enforcement, if we're going to stop it. Someone told me that kids have \$100 of consumable income a week in this state to spend. And we've also heard from...from a person testified, I think, against this bill in committee, is that the kids are still buying the expensive cigarettes. People on more limited income are buying the cheaper cigarettes. This is not for health-related. It's...I...smoking is addictive. Maybe people are going to quit