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very important. That's very crucial. As I said, this program works. Tobacco Free Hall County, where I come from, put forth some advertising that has gone nationwide. They're a little more impressive, of course, than what Senator Bourne had alluded to in some of the things he read. Some of the billboards they have throughout the state of Nebraska, and in other states as well, are very impressive. And they are working. This program works. It does save lives. I don't particularly know if the money should come out of General Funds. I would be very anxious to see it come from another...I would love to see it come from the tobacco tax, or from the tobacco settlement money. That's where it really should come. And if there is a proposal out there, if Senator Bromm has something that will fund it elsewhere, I would be more than happy to support that. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Aguilar. Senator Synowiecki, followed by Senator Bromm.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members. Kind of a spin-off what Senator Aguilar was speaking to. This program is prevention oriented. And they go a lot far beyond what the...what was presented to us by Senator Bourne. I know the programs in my area, in south Omaha, are very proactive, very proactive in the schools, and do a wonderful job in prevention activity. Senator Preister kind of alluded to some of that. But also, I think it's a bit hypocritical for us to...from what I understand the fiscal people are telling me, receive revenues to this state that exceed \$60 million a year in cigarette tax revenue. And I...quite honestly, I think it's hypocritical for us to accept that enormous amount of revenue and not set aside a very small portion of that for prevention activities. Indeed, it may even be viewed as a bit self-serving that we continually raise cigarette taxes as we face these budget crises, but we don't...we're not now going to put aside any money for prevention activities, at least under Raikes' amendment. Now, I've never supported any of them cigarette tax increases. But I think as far...as long as we have them and as long as we derive this enormous amount of revenue from cigarette taxes, you know, given that fact, I cannot, in good conscience, support Senator Raikes' amendment. Thank you, Senator Cudaback.