Vickers and others. If we are going to have to increase
the revenue of the state then we ought to be straight up
about it and do it through sales, income and corporate
tax because that is where that should be generated and
not do it, pick on an industry indiscriminately even though
some of you may not smoke but for those of us who do and
for the tobacco industry...

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left, Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: ...this is a bad way to try to generate the
money. Senator Newell wants to say a little bit about that
since he is a smoker as well.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Haberman. The question has been
called. Did you yield to him? You only have about twenty
seconds so go ahead. All right you can take the twenty
seconds, you bet.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well let me say simply this, is that in
terms of my conflict of interest I want to assure the body
that I am not buying cigarettes any more. I haven't quit
smoking but I am not buying them. That is right. Senator
Koch is supporting my habit now but the proposal today, I
support the committee amendments which raise the cigarette
tax to two cents. I think frankly that is as much as we
should ask cigarette smokers to pay in this state.

SENATOR CLARK: Thank you, Senator Newell. Senator Haberman.
The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? I
do. All those in favor of ceasing debate will vote aye, op-
posed vote nay.

CLERK: Senator Clark voting yes.

SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted on ceasing debate?
Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 12 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: Debate is ceased. Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Then I would move that the committee amend-
ment be rejected, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: All right the question before the House is
the rejection of the committee amendments. All those in
favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. He wanted the committee
amendments rejected so I put the question that way. All
those in favor of rejecting the committee amendments will
vote aye, opposed will vote nay. That could be backwards
but it will work either way.