

the slides and the presentation of what can actually happen, and this can all be brought back, and if you would like to, we can set up a room and you can all be brought in and shown some of this, and you will be disgusted by it. It is an awful thing that happens through smokeless tobacco. I don't think you need that. I think you understand by now, after several years of discussing this issue, how terrible this product is...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR WESELY: ...to young people and to anybody who uses it, the potential destruction it can bring to those individuals. We don't need to do that. Maybe some of you feel that it is not as bad as it sounds, and maybe we can bring those slides out again. I don't think that is the way to go. I think we are all at the point now where we all know we need to do something. It is what is best to stop this activity. I know we are focusing in on our youth. I think the bill in its current form is a good way to deal with the problem. I would ask you to reject the Bernard-Stevens amendment, to consider some other suggestions perhaps at a later date on Select File, but to gut this bill at this point is the wrong thing to do. If we want to do something about the problem, this is the bill to do it with.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Nelson is next, followed by Senator Dierks. However, let me introduce a couple of guests of Senator Coordsen, please; Joe Hergott of Gilead and Charles Schultz of Fairbury, under the north balcony. Would you folks please be recognized. Thank you. Senator Nelson, please.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I, too, oppose adoption of this amendment. It is just another way to get around the bush and make the people believe that we are doing something, we are addressing the problem. I have been on this issue for four years and, trust me, promise me, we will clean up the act. Yes, we agree that there are problems there, but just trust me, I will take care of it and the problem will go away. The problem is not going away. The only thing that I know of is that they discontinued it at the Nebraska State Fair by the decision of the board. Two years ago, to my knowledge, and there are probably more now, there were 33 county fairs, agricultural shows, plus agricultural shows, and so on and so forth, and rodeos that this junk was given away to people, and very, very easy for kids to go by and grab a package and go. This particular amendment does nothing but try to put it on the