

cancer because that is just what we're telling them they can do. We don't care if you want to become addicted to this stuff...

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR DIERKS: ...another addiction. We all are abhorred with the tales of drug abuse that is so rampant in our state and it isn't as bad here as it is other places but it is happening and we all know that. We keep reading about the drug busts. We have a chance today to do our own little thing about addiction. We have a chance today to tell the people in this state that we are against these vices that control the minds and bodies of our youth. We have a chance today to vote against addiction, to vote against poisoning our youth, to vote against their being able to use these carcinogenic subjects. We cannot support this amendment. I think it would be a travesty for us to allow this amendment to pass. To tell you the truth, I'm not really getting tired about talking about this. I think it is one of my pet pets today and has been all session and I guess that I'm a little disappointed in all the amendments that are coming up here. I'm disappointed because I think that I can see the power of the tobacco industry at work and it bothers me that they would try to continue to keep our youth in their bondage. So I would urge that we defeat this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. I think we'll break in, Senator Dierks, on your bill for a moment, and Treasurer Frank Marsh has some special guests and, Treasurer Marsh, if you'd have your guests come out on the south side of those pillars and line up so that we can see them well, and if you would take Senator Scofield's microphone, perhaps you could tell us a little bit about them so that we will know...we will break precedent here a little bit with...and...wherever you think it is good, Frank, for us to see them well.

FRANK MARSH: I think they are assembled in the back of the Chamber at this particular time. This is a group of people that have come on the People to People...excuse me, on the Friendship Force Program to Nebraska from Tadzhikistan in the U.S.S.R. and we've had a tour of the building this morning and so on. As you can see, I've been presented with the national colors and the costume and so forth of that particular area. It's a very unusual area and I'm going to just ask all of you to do your own geographical research on the location of it, but we are highly honored really that these 13 people have come from halfway