

legislation long enough. Everybody knows the pros and cons of it. I am willing to attempt to get this bill advanced and knowing that I'm going to probably deal with some more amendments at Select File, but the only thing that I'd ask for you to remember is that we're dealing here strictly with the issue of the health of the people of this state. It's just that simple an issue. We're not...we are not trying to do anything that is immoral, illegal or...the whole thing is very simple and very pure and it is difficult for me to understand opposition to this bill. The only way that I understand it is I understand the greed involved with the tobacco industry and the chink we're putting in the door as far as they are concerned is to the giving away of these products. So without any further discussion about this, I'd just like to urge that we go ahead and advance the bill to Select File. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, I understand we have a motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Bernard-Stevens would move to indefinitely postpone the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dierks, you have the right to take it up now or tomorrow, or later I should say.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I think we'd better take it up.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Bernard-Stevens, please.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body, just so the body understands my intention on this particular matter on this bill today, I don't think there would be any problem parliamentary and I think I understand the parliamentary rules as well as most in the body to be able to take up an awful lot of time on the floor today, if not the entire day wasted on a bad bill in my opinion, LB 48. I'm not going to do that, however. I did file my motion to indefinitely postpone to create a brief discussion and I hope others will participate, and I'm basically going to make a couple points to the body that I hope they kind of take a moment to listen to if at all possible. One of the things that we have here and, again, I wish it wasn't me necessarily speaking on this since I've been in the forefront of it and I hope that others will take part as well. One of the things that we had is that LB 48, I think many of you know, got carried away, way beyond the