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SENATOR LABEDZ: One minute, Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...isn't it? Pardon?

SENATOR LABEDZ: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I was just on a roll.

SENATOR LABEDZ: No.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: (laugh) Thank you, Senator Labeledz. Members of the body, LB 48 in all its good intentions does not do anything to help except a prayer and we can say those every day. God help those...no, Senator Kristensen, God help those who have become addicted by tobacco products, but this bill will not do anything except set a policy philosophically that an industry whose product we do not have the courage to ban, we will philosophically say that, marketing, you can't go to adults, that, marketing, you cannot have a sale, that, marketing, you can't have a coupon but we're going to allow every perverse industry in the state to do so.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Your time is up, Senator.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And that is not good policy.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Your time is up.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Would Senator Dierks yield to a question?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Dierks, would you yield to a question? Thank you.

SENATOR MOORE: Senator Dierks, is your purpose in LB 48 to get after the smokeless tobacco industry or to protect minors from chewing tobacco?

SENATOR DIERKS: Both, yes, both, yes.

SENATOR MOORE: Well, then the second question, why is it as you