

you probably almost need to vote against. Like I said, it's very hard to get up and talk against this bill. But the small businesses, it's a...we're taking away another one of their rights. And I think that we need to let the small business operate themselves rather than to dictate another thing that's going to be another hardship for them. I have never smoked in my life, and I guess it just doesn't affect me. But, in fact, I don't have any vices, as far as that goes. (Laughter.) But I think that we need to let the small business run their own business, and that's why I said it's so hard to talk against this bill. But we're taking away that one right. I think we need to really watch that. So I think that, when you vote on this bill, you need to really consider that. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Hefner, please, followed by Senator Elmer and Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Certainly.

SENATOR HEFNER: Senator Wehrbein, how does that affect us here in the Chamber?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: It would not affect it here in the Chamber, we're not a business.

SENATOR HEFNER: There's more than 15 employees here.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: We're not a business here. This operates under separate rules of government entity.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. Would you support an amendment then, if I offered it, to ban smoking in this Chamber?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Not necessarily, no.

SENATOR HEFNER: Okay. What's the difference between a public place and a business? Why are you just picking on a business?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm not really picking on a business. There are defined areas here, smoking and no smoking, that is all that